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GOVT STEPS UP PEACE OFFENSIVE

Young Marshal To Try To Mediate?

Shanghai, January 4.
The possibility of Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang ("Young Marshal") being asked to mediate between the Nationalists and Communists was expressed by reliable sources here today as Nanking continued its endeavours to get good offices of mutually acceptable third party to end the civil war.
These sources said that Chang, who has been under house arrest ever since the Bian coup 12 years ago, would be released if he were willing to undertake the task.
The "Young Marshal," who is at present held somewhere in Taiwan, is believed to be still enjoying the high esteem of the Communists. His brother, General Chang Hsueh-ze, is at present occupying an important post in the Communist regime in Manchuria.
Failing Marshal Chang, the Government may approach Professor Chang Tung-sun, one of the executives of the outlawed Democratic League, formerly third largest political party, who is at present residing in Peiping.
The Democratic League used to be the connecting link between the Government and Communists before it was banned for alleged extreme leftist tendencies.—Reuter.

Rediffusion Company Takes Over Former Children's Playground

(Picture On Page 2)

Hong Kong's children look like losing part of one of their much-needed playgrounds to the HK\$320,000-capitalised Broadcast Relay Service (HK) Limited which is preparing to start its rediffusion service to private homes on March 1.

Mr. Frank Harris, director in charge of the company, said yesterday that some 30,000 route yards of cable have been laid to relay radio broadcasts from Radio Hong Kong, BBC, Manila and other big cities abroad, and from the company's own studios.

The company, now functioning in three Nissen huts, is putting up a permanent double-storey brick building to accommodate its studio and offices.
The Nissen huts and the adjoining brick building are on the Arsenal Street Children's Playground, used after the war as a Naval motor-pool yard. It was one of the playgrounds to be eventually returned to the Playgrounds Committee.
It is understood that the land to be occupied by the Broadcast Relay Service (HK) Ltd. has been leased by private treaty for the usual period at a cost of HK\$75 a square foot.
Located at the corner of Hennessy Road and Arsenal Street, the area is one of the most valuable lots in the district.
The company will charge HK\$50 a month for its relay service. This includes a small ornamental wooden case containing the loud-speaker with a switch for controlling the volume.
The set, including the wiring, will be installed without extra charges.
One of the conditions of the company's franchise is that it shall relay BBC or Radio Hong Kong programmes 21 hours a week.
The rediffusion service will be on from 7 a.m. to midnight every day. Subscribers will have the choice of two different relayed programmes.
Later, it is planned to relay four different programmes simultaneously every day.
Advance programmes will be either advertised in newspapers or printed in leaflet form and sent to subscribers.
Soliciting Subscriptions
Mr. Frank Harris said yesterday that about 12 per cent of the 75,000 postcards sent out a year ago were returned by potential subscribers. The company is now sending out circular letters and

explanatory pamphlets to those who returned the postcards, soliciting their subscriptions.
The company has laid its own underground cables in addition to leasing the former Government tele-communications cable. In addition, blocks of residential premises have also been wired.
Radio-broadcasts will be picked up by the company's receiving station on The Peak, carried down by wire down to the company's relay studios at Wanchai, thence through amplifying stations, and voltage-reducing kiosks to the subscribers' homes—all over the wire, thus avoiding atmospheric and other disturbances.
The amplifying stations have equipment for recording the percentage of subscribers listening to the programmes. These records, said Mr. Harris, will enable his company to find out what programmes the subscribers like best. In this way it should be possible to give them what they want.
To supplement to the relayed broadcasts the company is planning to relay performances from its own studios.

The charge of HK\$9 a month does not include the radio receiving licence fee of HK\$12 a year payable to the Hong Kong Government.
Repairs to the company's loud-speakers and replacements will be undertaken free of charge by the company. One of the good points is that there will be no electricity bills to be paid for the service, as one would have to by using an ordinary radio receiving set.

The registered office of the Broadcast Relay Service (HK) Limited, is at No. 7, Queen's Road, Central. The directors are Mr. Frank Harris (3,001 shares), Mr. M. M. Watson (one share), Dr. S. N. Chiu (1,000 shares), Mr. W. C. Thornton, of Carlton House, London, Mr. N. J. Barrington Sabine, of Carlton House, London.

The remaining 35,000 shares have been taken up by the parent company, Broadcast Relay Service (Overseas Limited) with the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation being the nominees. The 40,000 shares are 10 shillings each.

BOMBARDMENT OF TERRORISTS

Singapore, January 4.
A British destroyer bombarded bandit hideouts on the West coast of Malaya today in the first combined sea, land and air operations in the anti-guerrilla fighting.
The destroyer came within 400 yards of the shore and pumped four-inch shells into the selected points in the jungle where bandits were believed to be hiding.
Aster planes acted as spotters. At the same time a Gurkha company, backed by sampans, and took up preliminary positions with other land forces to prevent the bandits' escape.—Reuter.

Planes Drop Leaflets Over Red-Held Areas CEASE-FIRE URGED

Nanking, January 4.

China's Nationalist Government today carried its peace offensive into Communist-held territory with the air-dropping of leaflets, calling on Red troops to cease their offensive operations, it is learned.

Leaflets were dropped by Nationalist planes which flew over the Central China front, informing the Communists that President Chiang Kai-shek's Government, which is able to fight on, has chosen to talk peace in the national interests.

The leaflets urged the Communist troops in the field to halt military activities to enable the opening of peace negotiations between China's warring factions.

Invitation To Peace Talks

Shanghai, January 4.
Shanghai's "Self Aid and National Salvation Federation" today invited Nationalist and Communist representatives to meet in Shanghai for peace talks.

The association was formed a month ago to protect vital industries and public utilities in the event of a breakdown in local authority. It sent identical messages to President Chiang Kai-shek in Nanking and Mao Tse-tung, number one Communist, in Yenan.

The messages recalled outstanding differences between the Nationalist and Reds and emphasised that the civil warfare was crippling the country.—Associated Press.

New Moves?

There were already reports, as far not officially confirmed which spoke of new moves being made by Communist General Liu Po-cheng's forces across Henan towards Hupoh and Anhwei, and the indication of some other units in North Anhwei into the Pengpu region.

Observers said there were continued attempts by the Communist Commander, General Chen Yi, to neutralise the Huaihow Garrison under the Nationalist General Tu Xu-min, encircled to the South West of that city.

The Communists have closed in on the beleaguered garrison, which is estimated at 200,000, until it had only an island of resistance four by five miles, in which there is a sea of khaki-clad entrenched soldiers, who are getting only meagre food supplies from Nationalist air drops, which are now effectively harassed by Communist anti-aircraft fire.

The Communists are entrenched all round the shrinking Nationalist positions. Desertions are said to be frequent and a big attack across trenches on World War I pattern was impending as weather conditions improved.

In North China, the Nationalist positions at Peifeng, Tientsin and Tientsin, observers thought, seems more threatened by rumours of separate negotiated peace than actual military action.

The success of the Nationalists at Tientsin in driving back the Communists by using light naval gunfire reflects adversely on the calibre of the Communists in that sector.

From behind the Communist lines there was no information here today.

But one theory was circulated that continued consultations in Nanking between the Generalissimo and some provincial leaders indicated that the President might be preparing some surprises for Communists in areas likely to be over-run.

Observers attach considerable significance to the President's summons to the capital of the Mongolian Prince Teb Mo-chi, and suggest that the Generalissimo was making plans for islands of resistance behind the Communist frontlines in the North and West.—Reuter-AAP.

Tornado Kills 41, Wrecks Houses In U.S.

Warren, Arkansas, January 4.

A vicious 15-minute tornado swept through this thriving Arkansas pineland milltown just at dinner time yesterday, leaving in its wake 41 known dead and between 250 and 400 injured.

Twenty square blocks of residential district were laid waste. Rescue squads and doctors worked through the night, ministering to the injured and seeking others, many of whom were believed pinned in the debris.

Both the death toll and the number of injured are expected to mount, since many injured are not expected to survive and more injured and dead are believed among those missing.

Mayor Jim Hurley estimated that the property loss to the town would amount to more than \$1,000,000 and that between 15 and 20 per cent of the town's homes were destroyed.

Damage was confined to a residential area bordering the extensive nine-lumber mills.—Associated Press.

Yangtze Guard

The main forces are guarding likely Yangtze crossing places near Nantung, Kiangyin, Chinkiang and South West of Nanking at Wuhu. Forces of about divisional strength are guarding the capital and Shanghai.

Observers attach little importance to the Nationalist claims of victory over the Communists in neighbouring province of Hupoh, where in the North the Nationalists have claimed the recapture of Biang-yang.

The Communists, they suggest, had made few raids on the town and then retreated to strong positions in Honan.

Soldiers Build Tent City



Nationalist soldiers gather about in this general view of a tent city, which is rising next to the railroad station in Pukow. Soldiers are waiting to be sent North to the front line.—AP Photo.

Italian President Visits Pope Pius XII



Mr. Luigi Einaudi, first regularly elected President of the Italian Republic, called formally on Pope Pius XII at the Vatican City. They met at the Threshold of the Throne room of the Apostolic Palace and talked for 25 minutes. Photo shows Mr. Einaudi (left) presenting the Pope with a framed crucifix.—AP Photo

Taxi Drivers Reject Employers' Terms, Vote To Continue Strike

More than 300 striking taxi drivers, at a mass meeting held at the Confucian Hall yesterday afternoon, rejected the employers' terms for return to work, and voted unanimously to continue the strike.

The decision was reached after they had heard from Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins, Commissioner of Labour, the terms offered by the eight taxicab companies for taking the men back.

The companies agreed to take back in the first instance 243 old drivers at HK\$6.50 a day, plus a high cost of living allowance equivalent to the excess over and above HK\$3 a day in the Rehabilitation Allowance index.

The companies refused to dismiss the 236 new drivers already engaged to make room for the old drivers whose total number before the strike was 850.

Refusal of the companies to take back all the men or to make any wage increase was termed by the strikers as a calculated attempt to oppress the men into submission. To return to work on such conditions was humiliating, the men said.

Some of the men openly accused the Government of helping the employers in the dispute, and Mr. Hawkins was detained for more than an hour answering questions put to him on Government's attitude in the matter.

Picketing Today

A decision was taken at the close of the meeting that all the strikers would go out picketing in full force today, even at the risk of being arrested.

It was also decided to send out teams to other labour unions in the Colony to ask for the fullest possible publicity to their grievances against the taxicab companies, and to seek the support of the Association of Labour Unions.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (2.00 p.m. HKST) the intense Siberian anticyclone continues to increase and to extend Southwards. The very steep and complex depression now over N. Hokkaido is moving NE and its associated cold front extends through N. Luzon to S. Japan.
Today's Forecast—Moderate or fresh NE winds. Cloudy, fair.
Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 82.2 deg. Fah. Minimum 61.8 deg. Fah.
Rainfall: 0.4 hour.
Rainfall: Trace. Total since Jan. 1—1.4 mm.—0.04 in. as against an average of 4.1 mm.—0.16 in.
Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m.
Baro. at sea level 1022.8 1019.5 m.b.
Rel. Humidity 78 78 %
Dew Point 71 68 deg. F.
Wind Direction 7 NNE NNE
Wind Force 1 1 knots.
Tides—High 215 215
Low 150 150
Moon 100% 43 %

Marines To Leave China?

Shanghai, January 4.
A Tientsin report that United States marines were preparing to leave China, brought denials from naval and diplomatic sources but they were half-hearted denials.

One spokesman who should be in a position to know said "that report isn't wrong—it's just premature."

The Associated Press' Tientsin correspondent reported 3,000 marines were vacating quarters at the National Shantung University and were moving aboard ship by January 25, turning the buildings of the campus back to the University authorities.

Some Navy quarters in Shanghai said they knew nothing of this but others said the marines were only moving shopkeepers and miscellaneous out of the buildings and that this order had been misread as a general evacuation of the area.

No Surprise

The marines leased part of the Shantung University buildings and grounds after VJ day for offices and barracks. It has been known that the University had hoped to get the space back soon but it was not believed to be exerting any pressure.

Naval and diplomatic sources in Shanghai and Nanking said the future of the marines in China was up to the Commander-in-Chief in the West Pacific, Admiral Oscar C. Badger, who was not reached up to late this afternoon. Several such sources said they had heard nothing about leaving China.

Six hundred marines are stationed aboard the transport Ryfield in Shanghai's Whangpoo River. Sources professed to know nothing of the order and said they had heard nothing about leaving China. U.S. Department officials expressed surprise last night at the announcement of the withdrawal of U.S. Marines from China.—Associated Press.

Improvement Of UK Economy

London, January 4.
An assessment from official quarters today put the average improvement of Britain's economy in 1948 at between 20 and 25 per cent in the first attempt at estimating Britain's economic and financial recovery in the past 12 months.

The pre-war level had been surpassed in all spheres of production, the assessment said.

Food production in the year ending May, 1949, will be about 30 per cent above pre-war. The estimate contended that about 40 per cent of Britain's foods now are home produced compared with some 20 per cent before the war.—United Press.

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2. Persons who do not intend to renew their 1948 arms licences are required to hand in during the month of January, 1949, their 1948 licences and the arms licensed thereunder to the Police Station nearest the address at which the arms are normally kept. A temporary receipt will be given. An official receipt, together with the account for Police storage of the arms at a fee of \$1.00 per month per weapon, will be forwarded later to the owner concerned.

3. Persons, intending to renew their 1948 arms licences will present their arms for inspection during the month of January, 1949, at the Police Station nearest the address at which the arms are normally kept, together with the 1948 arms licence and two recent passport size photographs. Arms will be retained by the owner after inspection and a temporary receipt given for the arms licence. No payment is required at this stage.

4. Subject to the arms being approved for re-licensing, an official renewal debit note will be posted to the owner at the address recorded in the licence and Arms Office Register. (Licencees are reminded that failure to notify change of address is a breach of the conditions under which the licence is issued).

5. On payment of the renewal fee at the Treasury, Prince's Building, Ice House St., the receipted account should be forwarded by mail to the Officer-in-Charge Arms Office, Central Police Station, who will renew the arms licence for 1949 and return it together with the Treasury receipt to the owner by registered post.

6. Persons who fail to initiate action to renew or surrender their 1948 arms licences during January, 1949, will be liable to prosecution.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE
1st January, 1949.

SALE OF R.N. STEEL TUG NO. 115

Tenders are invited for the purchase of the above mentioned Steel Tug lying in H.M. Dockyard, Kowloon.

Tender Forms and permission to view will be issued by the Naval Store Officer, H.M. Dockyard, Hong Kong, on the payment of a deposit of H.K.\$1,000.00 to the Cashier, H.M. Dockyard, Hong Kong, from Tuesday to Friday, 4th to 7th January, 1949. The deposit will be returned to unsuccessful tenderers.

Completed Tender Form should be returned by hand signed and in a sealed envelope marked "Tender for purchase of R.N. Steel Tug" to this office on or before Noon on Monday 10th January, 1949.

A. J. DAY,
Naval Store Officer.

NOTICE

As of October 1, 1948, I, H. F. Shields, have taken into partnership N. J. Whelpton, L.D.S., R.C.S., Eng., and we will continue to practise dentistry at the former address, Rooms 211/215 (Telephone 27447), Gloucester Building, under the partnership name of "Shields & Whelpton".

As from January 3, 1949, we will also maintain an office in Kowloon at No. 1, Salisbury Road (opposite Kowloon Star Ferry, next to Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharves main gate; Telephone 50245).

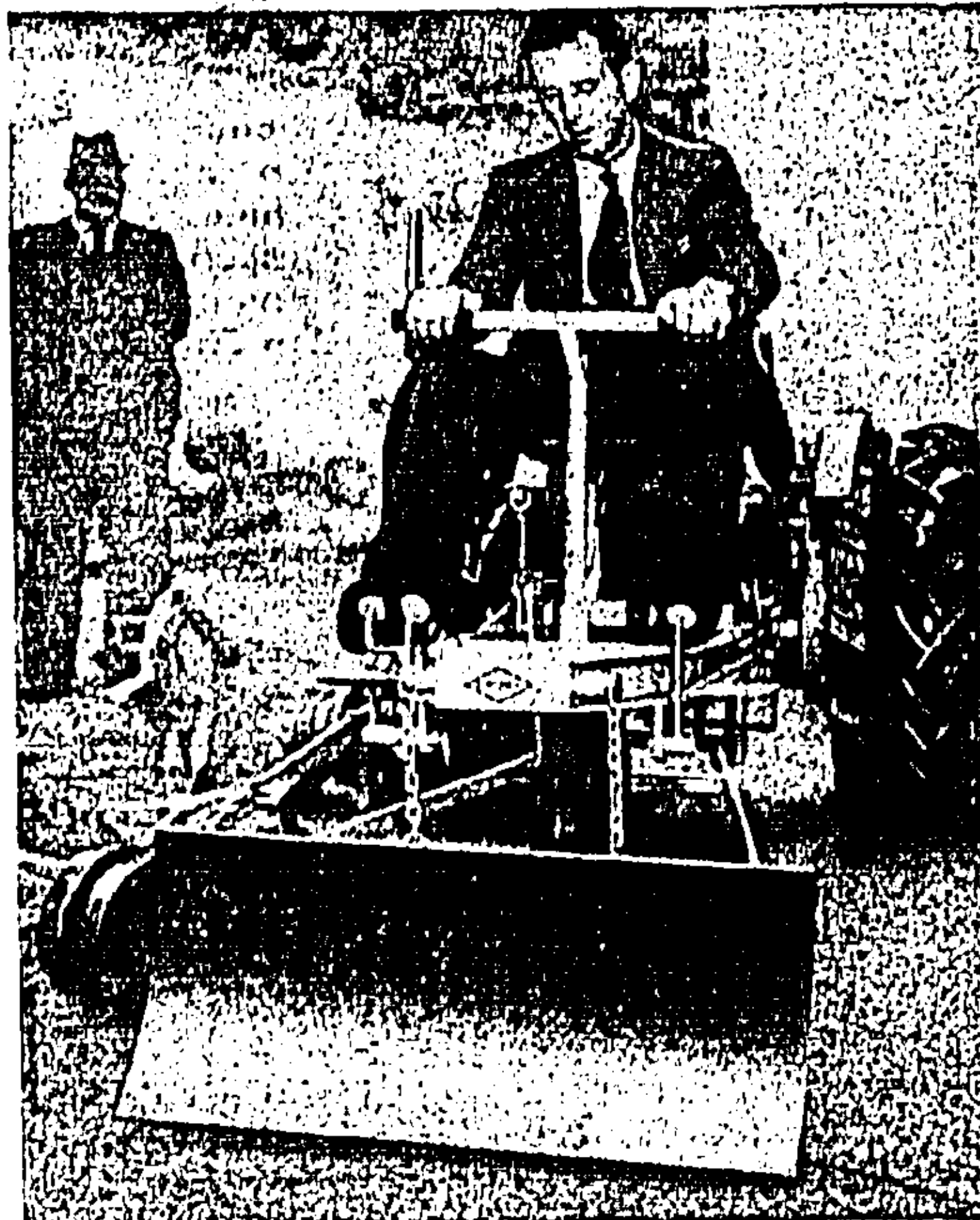
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FOOD, FUEL COSTS

Food and fuel costs compiled by the Labour Office for the week ended January 1, follow:

Rice and Flour	7.2 cwt. 1113.8750
Vegetables	1.0 .. 1.1550
Salt Cabbage	2 .. 1.450
Oil	1 .. 1.4420
Tea	2 .. 9.6000
Salt Fish	3 .. 8.010
Fish	4 .. 1.0800
Pork	5 .. 7.815
Flour	10.0 .. 8.800
Bean Cured, 14 pieces	5000
Total	1113.8750

NOTICE TO MARINERS NO. 2 OF 1949.

Hong Kong Waters.

Victoria Harbour.

Submarine Telegraph Cable Operations.

It is notified for general information that submarine telegraph cable operations, lasting for 4 to 5 days, are expected to commence on 4th January, 1949 in the Central Harbour Cable Ground situated between the south end of the Kowloon Peninsula and the City of Victoria. Mark buoys may be laid within this area, from time to time, during the course of the operation.

Authority:—Marine Department, Hong Kong.

J. JOLLY,
Director of Marine.
Marine Office,
Hong Kong, Jan. 3, 1949.

NOTICE TO MARINERS NO. 1 OF 1949.

HONG KONG WATERS.

Man of War Anchorage, Victoria Harbour.

Removal of Wreck.

It is notified for general information that, until further notice, underwater explosive charges may be detonated during the first fifteen minutes of each hour from 0900 until 1700, in connection with the removal of the wreck lying in position:

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The Masters of all vessels are warned that this area should be given a wide berth.

Authority:—Marine Department, Hong Kong.

J. JOLLY,
Director of Marine.
Marine Office,
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By Shepard Barclay

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SELECT HIM WITH CARE
GETTING the right partner is a goodly part of the game in any case. It is especially important if you are the type of player who plays no monkeyshines—in the bidding. Unless you have selected your partner with care, you are likely to find him either confused generally or else completely misled by some of your queer bids and more prone to believe them than the actual facts which should be indicated to him by your didoes.

S 10 3
H A K Q 6 3
D K 9 H
C A 9 5
S A Q 8
H 10 8 7 4
D A J 10 4
C K 8

(Dealer: West. Both sides vulnerable.)
West North East South
1 C 1 H 2 C 2 NT
Pass 3 H 4 C 4 D
Pass 4 H Dbl. 4 S
Dbl.

Some large percentage of pretty good players would have gone haywire after hearing that bizarre series of bids by South, who was known to all of the others as a trickster with a liking for fantastic bidding. The particular person sitting in the North in this rubber game did the best possible thing, however. After West doubled the Spades, North considered a variety of moves. First was the shift to No Trumps because of

holding something in every suit except the one last bid by her partner. Second, she thought of shifting to diamonds, since they were bid before the spades and there was a three-card fit for them. Third, she thought of an additional rebid of the hearts, though they had already been bid three times, indicating six-card length when only five were actually held.

The fourth, and commanding, consideration was the fact that any guess might be wrong if it be made by anybody except South, the only player in position to know what was really going on. With the spade bid doubted by West, South would get another chance himself. So the astute lady in the North passed, and South of course left it in.

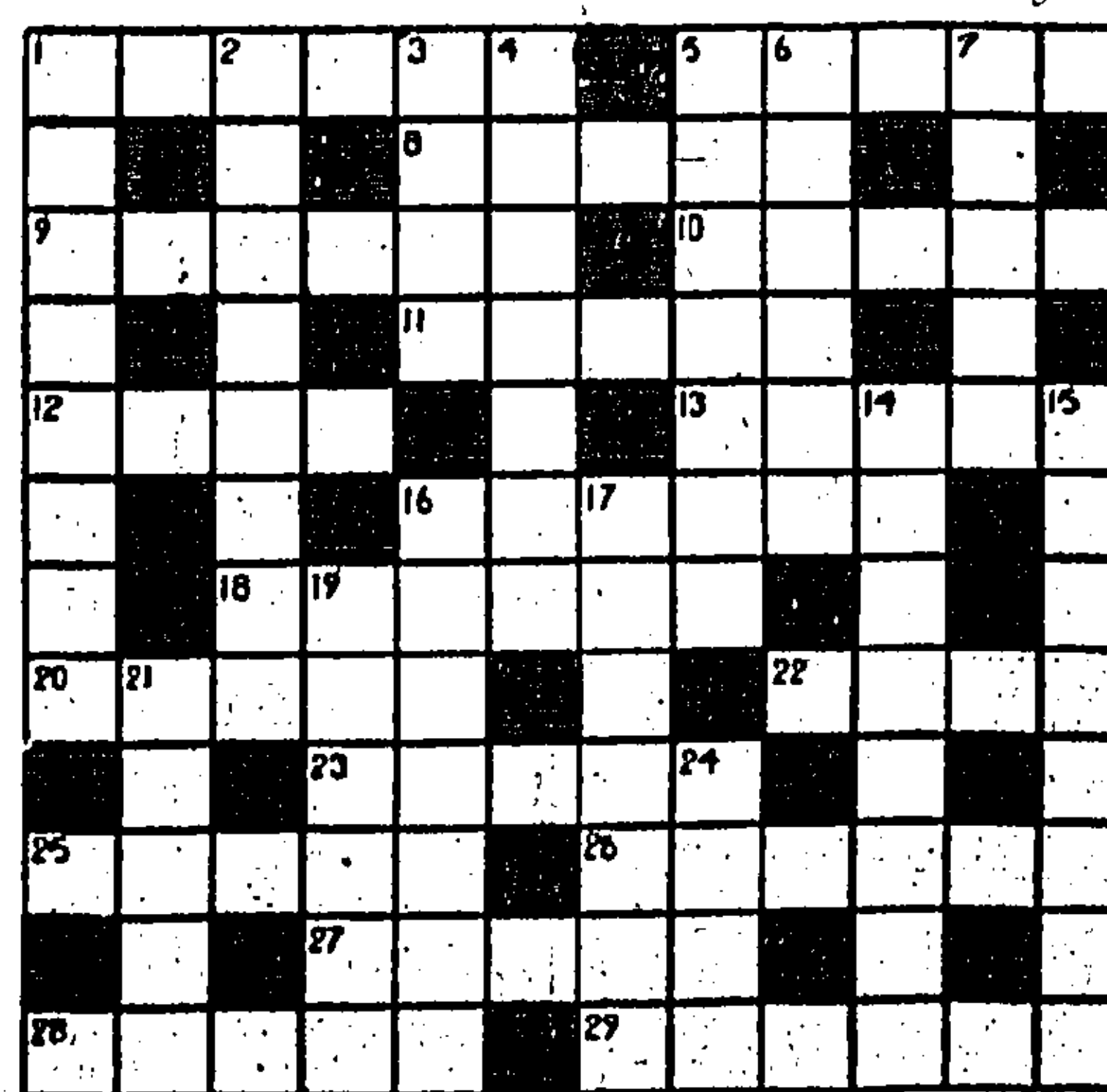
It was lucky for North and South. The club K to the A was followed by hearts for two club discards, so that no tricks were lost except one in diamond and two in spades.

Tomorrow's Problem
S A 8 6 2
H A 7
D J 9 6 2
C 7 8 2

S 9 7
H K J 5
D 8 7 6 4
C A Q 10 4

Dealer: East. North-South vulnerable.

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Across

1 Walks pompously. 20 Relative. 21 Steadfast. 22 Savour. 23 Tree. 24 Power of choice. 25 Scene of action. 26 Mount. 27 Rules. 28 Native. 29 Resume. 30 Model. 31 Alto. 32 Averse. 33 Donor. 34 Rescue. 35 Miss. 36 Treas. 37 Peace. 38 Dyes. 39 Rooster. 40 Scene. 41 Tirade. 42 Tier. 43 Style. 44 Recent.

Down

1 Untidy person. 2 Control. 3 Sharp. 4 Red. 5 Least. 6 Press chief. 7 Sheen. 8 Ing. 9 Daubed. 10 Outline. 11 Musical eighth. 12 Lifeline. 13 Sword. 14 Reinvigorated. 15 Ingredients. 16 Daubed. 17 Outline. 18 Musical eighth. 19 Lifeline. 20 Sword. 21 Room. 22 Scar. 23 Mass. 24 Elect. 25 Modest. 26 Denudes. 27 Largest. 28 Relate. 29 Opposes. 30 Mastery. 31 Secret. 32 Refer. 33 Duster. 34 Tire. 35 Page. 36 Beat.

MORE NATIONS STATE OPPOSITION TO DUTCH

PI Backs SE Asia Agency

Manila, January 3. The Department of Foreign Affairs says that the Philippines favours the establishment of a South East Asian regional agency to aid in the settlement of disputes in this part of the world.

The Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Felipe Neri, in a statement on the reported proposal by the Indian Premier, Pandit Nehru, for a conference of South East Asian countries on the Indonesian question, said: "A regional agency in South East Asia to assist in the settlement of disputes in this part of the world should promote peace in this area."

Mr. Neri stresses that the Foreign Affairs Department has not received any invitation to participate in a conference for the formation of a South East Asian political bloc.

However, he pointed out the United Nations Charter encourages the formation of regional agencies for dealing with matters relating to the maintenance of peace and security as are appropriate for regional action. (United Press.)

LABOUR MAN CROSSES FLOOR

London, January 3. Mr. Ivor Thomas, a former Labour Party member, who left the party last October in protest against the Government's policy of nationalising the steel industry, has joined the Conservative Party.

Mr. Thomas has held the under-secretaryships for the Colonies and for Civil Aviation. (Reuter.)

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"STORY OF G.I. JOE"

London, January 3. More Eastern countries, preparing to confer on Indonesia at the call of India, spoke today against the Dutch action in Java and Sumatra. Egypt, Syria and China are said to have already accepted the Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru's, invitation to a general conference in Delhi.

The Burmese Information Minister, U Tun Pe, said aggressive imperialism in the East could be met only by joint Asian action.

Ceylon's Premier, Dr. Don Stephen Senanayake, told Reuter that Ceylon is most interested in the invitation but he would like more details of its objects before committing himself.

The Persian Foreign Minister, Ali Akbar Eshkat, said his Government intensely desired independence and liberty for Indonesia.

At The Hague, an official spokesman said Holland is considering the position arising from India's call for a conference but is not yet ready to express a view.

Turkey is expected to be represented at the conference by its Ambassador to India, Mr. Halil Turkoglu.

Other invited Eastern countries are Siam, Pakistan, Afghanistan, the Lebanon, Hedjaz and Iraq. A Baghdad report late last night said Iraq might refuse to renew permission for Dutch airliners to land.

India Grants Permission

In New Delhi it is learned authoritatively that India has decided to allow the passage across her territory of the Dutch airliner carrying Dr. Drees, the Dutch Premier, to Indonesia to seek a settlement with the Republicans.

The Dutch request for permission was referred by India to the President of the Security Council as the Indonesian question was pending before the Council.

The President of the Council, General Andrew McNaughton, of Canada, recommended that facilities should be given the Dutch Premier as his object was to seek a settlement.

The Government of India informed the British Government and the Government of Pakistan of her decision.

At The Hague, The Dutch Labour Party said today that it would have been better if the Government had not arrested the Republican leaders, but at the same time it supported the Government's police action in Indonesia.

Three Conditions

A party resolution said the Government's policy in Indonesia would prove itself justified if:

1. The Republican areas of Indonesia are set up in a

Wedding Party All Killed

Shanghai, January 4. A bridegroom, his bride and 11 guests at their wedding feast were killed when the bus they were riding in fell through a wooden bridge near Shanghai. The party was on the way to Taichang, native town of the bridegroom, Pao Shiao-peng, an official in the local public utilities bureau. When they reached the bridge, an old roughly-hewn wooden affair, the driver suggested that the party get out while he made the crossing alone. They refused and the bridge cracked in two as they were half way across. The driver was seriously injured. (Associated Press.)

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He Played On Eros' Harp

London, January 3. A man climbed the statue of Eros, Pleadably Crouched, in the heart of London's West End this afternoon and plucked happily at the string of the bow while thousands of Londoners watched.

Traffic was held up and 20 policemen tried frantically to get him down. Police-men clambered up but the man dodged out of reach. His "harp playing" broke the bow string.

Finally, the fire brigade arrived and firemen ran up an escape ladder alongside the statue. Firemen climbed it and hauled the man down by the feet.

Later, William Painter, a plumber, was charged by the police with using drunk and causing malicious damage to the Eros statue. He will appear in court tomorrow. (Reuter.)

INDONESIA MUST DEVELOP EXPORTS

Paris, January 4. Indonesia will benefit under Marshall Aid in the 1949 to 1950 period and a report by the 19 Aid recipients said today that she must develop exports before she can become a dollar earner.

She is included in Europe's demand for \$4,347 million for the second year of the European Recovery Programme, details of which were revealed in the report which was approved by the Council of the Organisation for European Co-operation here on December 28, and will be submitted to Mr. Paul Hoffman.

Another report on long-term aid will be issued later. Referring to Indonesia, the report said that the expected trend in population there demands a programme of rehabilitation and development of the basic industries—mainly agricultural and mining—to maintain the humble standard of life of the people.

A 1949 to 1950 deficit of \$137 million with dollar countries other than those in the Western Hemisphere, was expected to be replaced in 1952 to 1953 by a surplus of \$27 million, due to an

increase in exports from \$36 million to \$151 million in the latter year.

The total of the 19 programmes was \$4,654 million, but the Council reduced this by \$307 million.

The report stressed that the figure was based on provisional figures as the OEEC was budgeting six months ahead and might be upset by changes in prices, policy or economic conditions.

When the U.S. Congress has stated in the spring how much it is willing to appropriate, the OEEC will invite the Marshall Aid countries to submit revised programmes. (Reuter.)

NEW PRESIDENT

Tegucigalpa, January 4.

Juan Manuel Perez

has been elected President of Honduras

yesterday for a six-year term,

succeeding General Tiburcio Carías, 72, who was President for 16 years. (Associated Press.)

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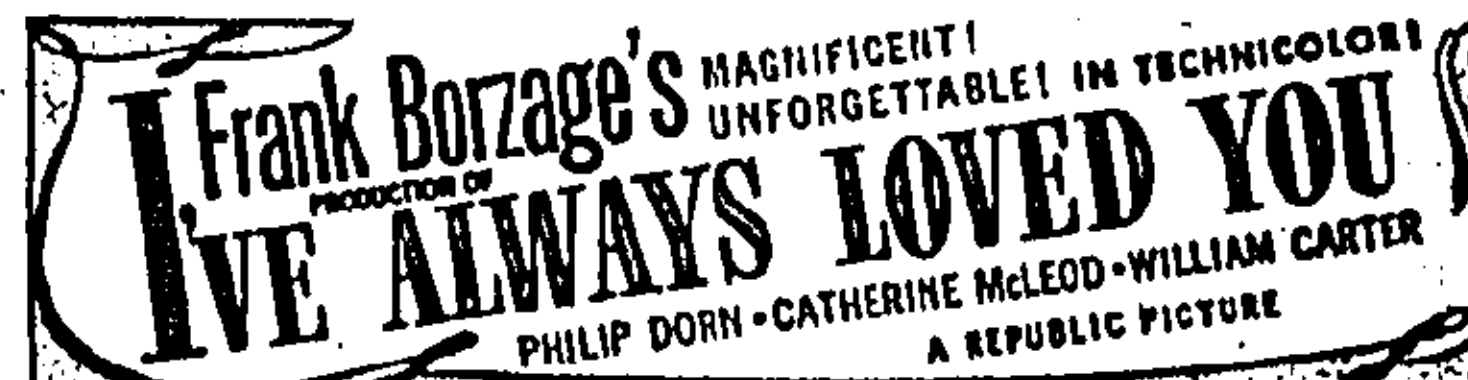


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REPUBLICAN GUERRILLA ACTIVITY IN INDIES

Batavia, January 4. Indonesian guerrillas are stabbing repeatedly at Dutch positions on the island of Java. The fugitive underground-Republican radio claimed this today.

The Dutch have issued what they describe as a cease fire order on Java, although it authorises Netherlands soldiers to continue operations against roaming groups or individuals trying to cause disorder.

They will not say when a similar order might be issued in neighbouring Sumatra, where Dutch reports picture the operations as nearly over.

The Dutch say there are no regular Republican troops under a responsible commander in Java. But the Republican radio, monitored here, gives this picture of harassing tactics against the conquering Netherlands.

Planes Downed

1. Republicans attacked Ponorogo, Sukoharjo, Wonogiri, Soekaboemi, Garoet and the Banten Harbour area, all on the East of Java.

2. Two Dutch planes were shot down in Central Sumatra.

3. An automobile bridge outside Soerakarta, Java, was blown up by Republicans while seven Dutch army trucks were crossing it.

4. Guerrillas attacked a Dutch military convoy West of Cheribon.

The Dutch themselves report a guerrilla attack on a rubber estate near Bulenzorg, 20 miles from Batavia. Dutch sources said five Europeans and 11 Indonesians threw back an attack by 500 guerrillas, killing five.

"Cease Fire"

The same sources said another estate in the same area was attacked later.

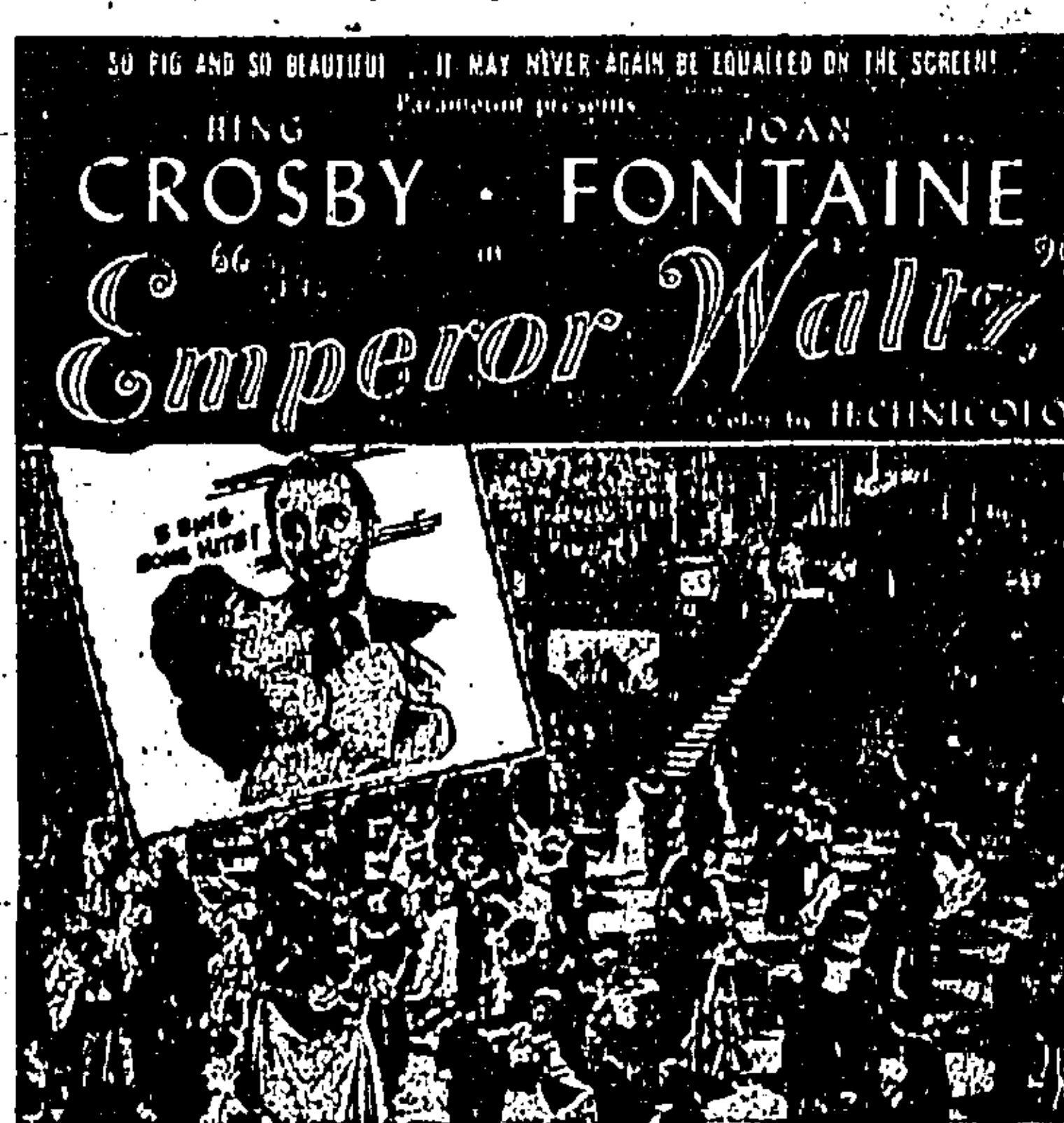
The Dutch commander, Lieutenant General Simon Spoor, issued an order of the day which is referred to as a cease fire. Netherlands Government representatives then sent a letter to the United Nations Good Offices Committee and the Consular

Force Commission, saying a cease fire order had been issued for Java late on Sunday.

The letter also contained provision of facilities for carrying out the Security Council's resolutions. The Security Council ordered a cease fire on Christmas Eve. (Associated Press.)

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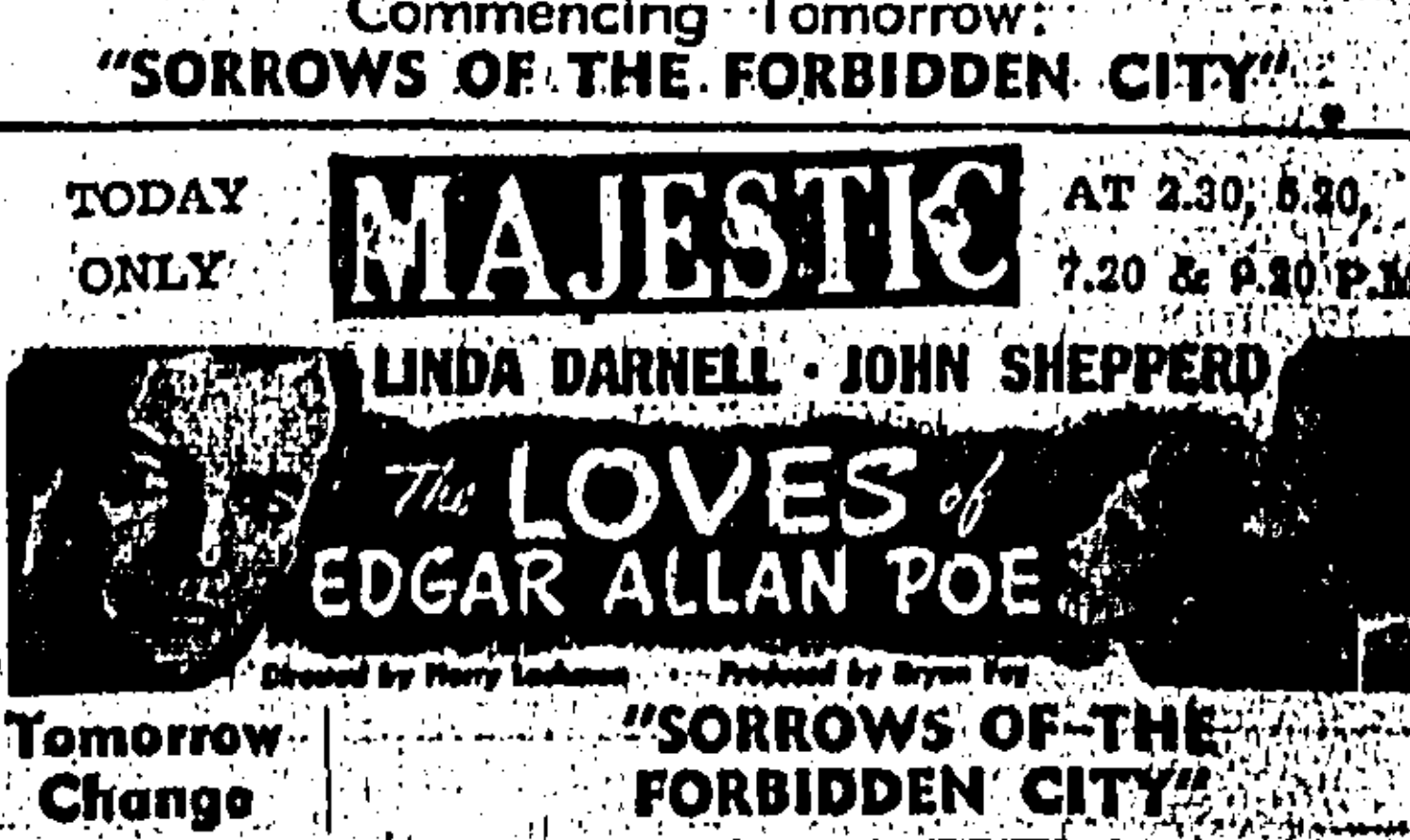
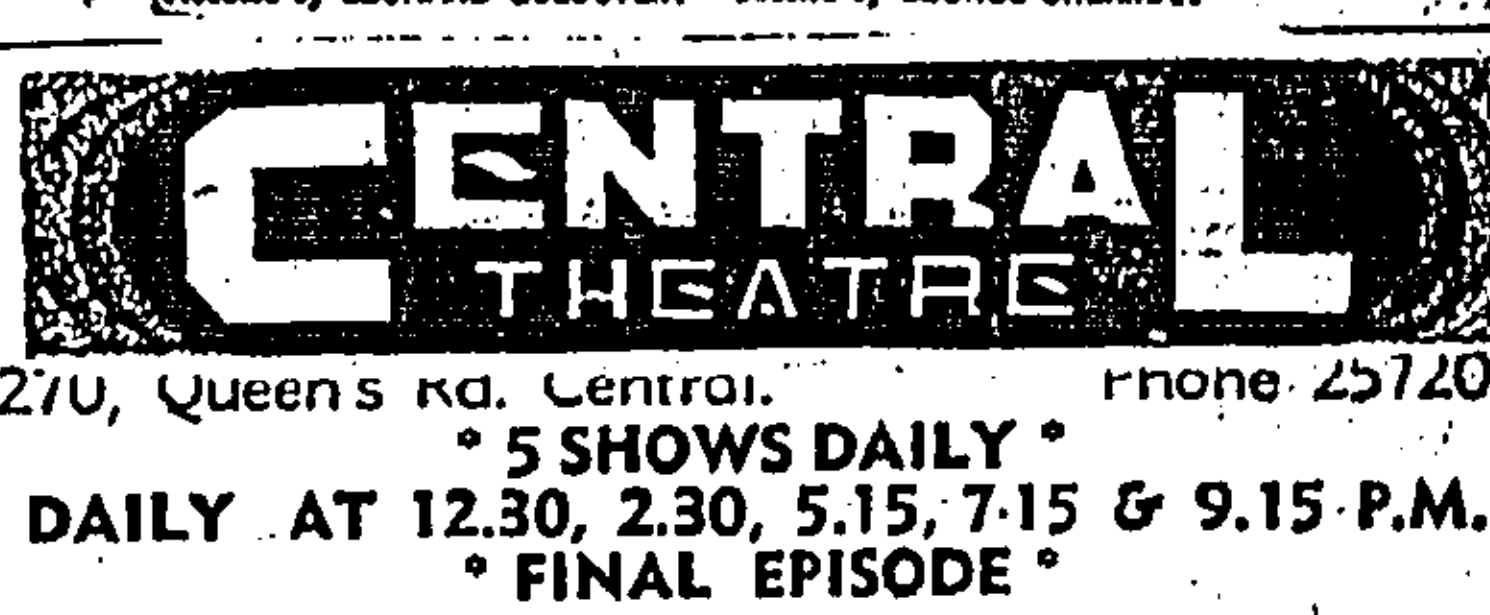
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My own stand was defined generally as follows:

Experience of the past proved that we were likely to be vastly disappointed in the usefulness of the British ports. Not only did we expect them to be stubbornly defended but we were certain they would be effectively destroyed once we had captured them. We did not expect this destruction to be marked at Marseilles because the defending forces had already been drawn Northward to meet our attacks. Capture should be so swift as to allow little time for demolition.

The distance from Brest to the Metz region was greater than the distance from Marseilles to Metz. The railway lines connecting the two former points were more numerous and were more heavily damaged than was the case with regard to the lines up the Rhone River.

Unless Marseilles were captured, we would be unable to succeed upon the arrival of American divisions from the homeland.

The entry of a sizable force into Southern France provided definite tactical and strategic support to our own operations.

First, it would protect and support the right flank as we continued our advance toward the heart of the German resistance. Secondly, by joining it to our own right flank we would automatically cut off all regions Westward of that point, capture the enemy troops remaining back of the point of junction, and free all of France to assist us both passively and actively.

Without the Dragon attack we would have to protect our right flank all the way from the base of the Brittany Peninsula to the most forward point of our attacking spearheads. This would have meant the immobilization of large numbers of divisions, stationed along the right merely to insure our own safety against raids by small mobile forces. These defending divisions could scarcely have participated in later aggressive action.

As yet we had secured a permanent port only Cherbourg. The lines leading out of it were entirely incapable of maintaining our fighting forces along the front. Our maintenance and administrative position would never be equal to the final conquest of Germany until we had secured Antwerp on the North and Marseilles or equivalent port facilities on our right. Once we had accomplished this, I was certain, we could marshal on the borders of Germany a sufficient strength, both in troops and in supplies, to launch final and decisive offensives that would knock Germany completely out of the war. Without such facilities we would inevitably outrun our maintenance capacity. We would then find ourselves in a position such as the British had so often experienced in their advances Westward from Egypt, an experience that was repeated by Rommel when he finally attained the El Alamein line and was then unable to exploit his advantage.

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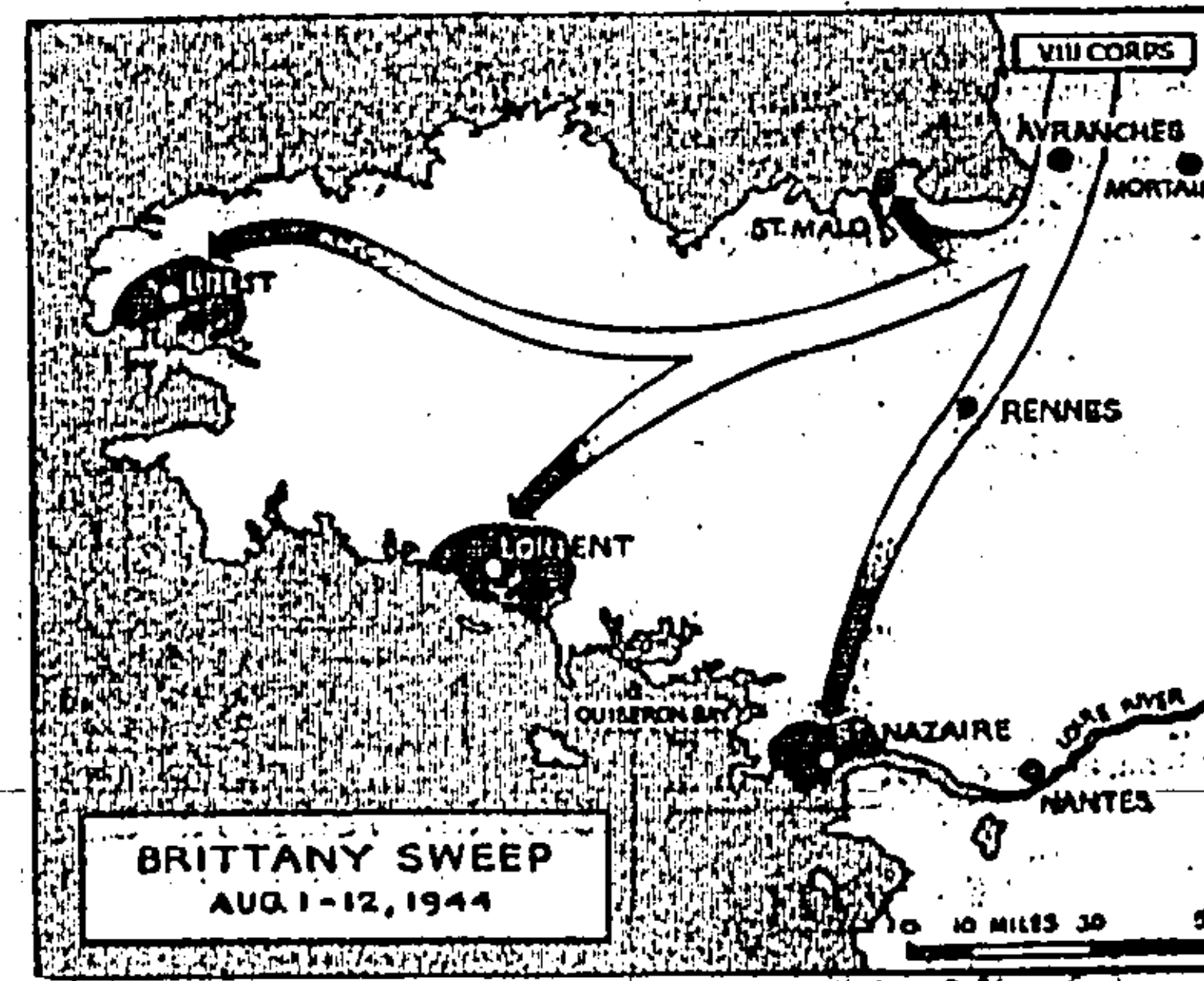
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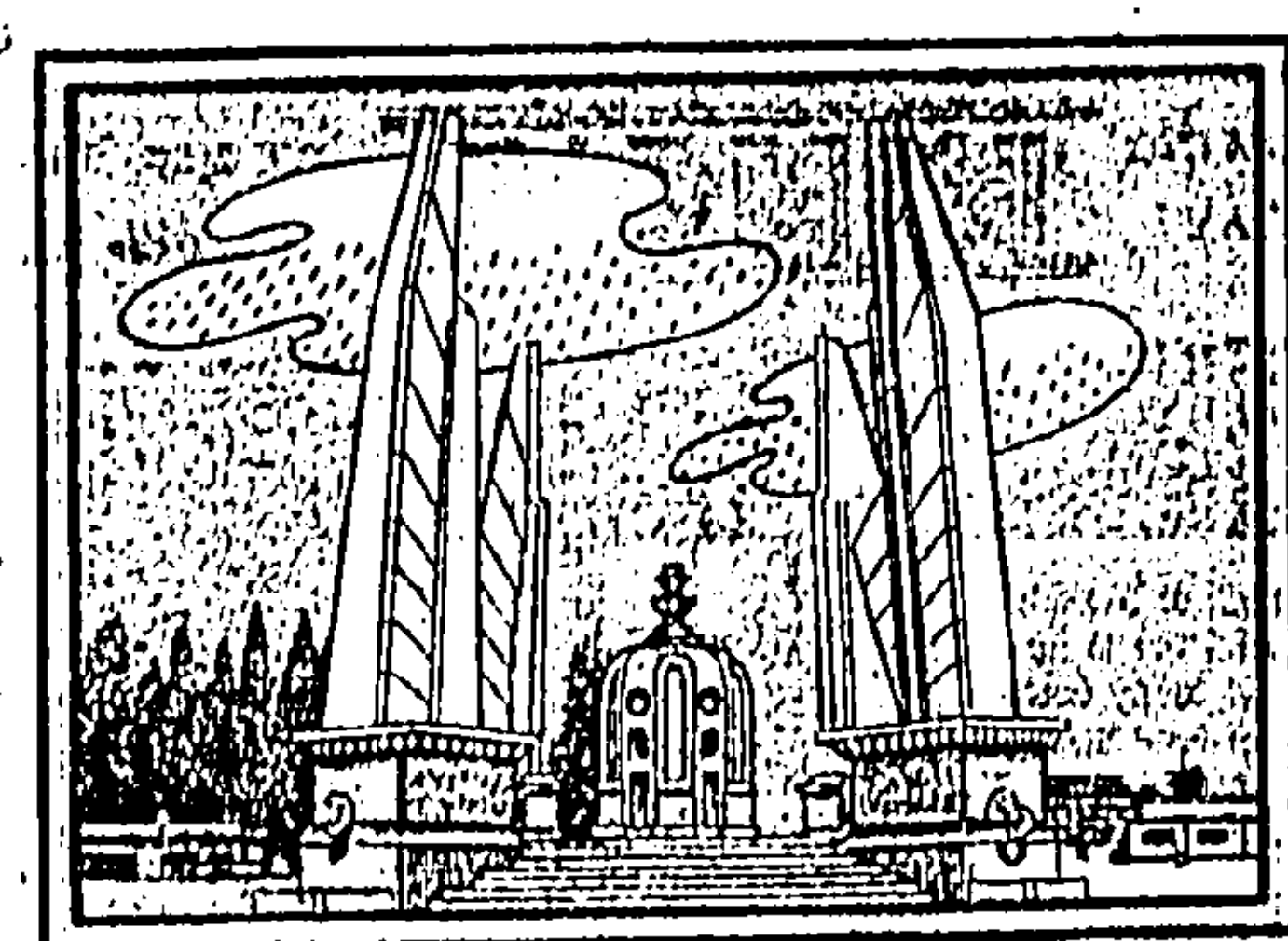
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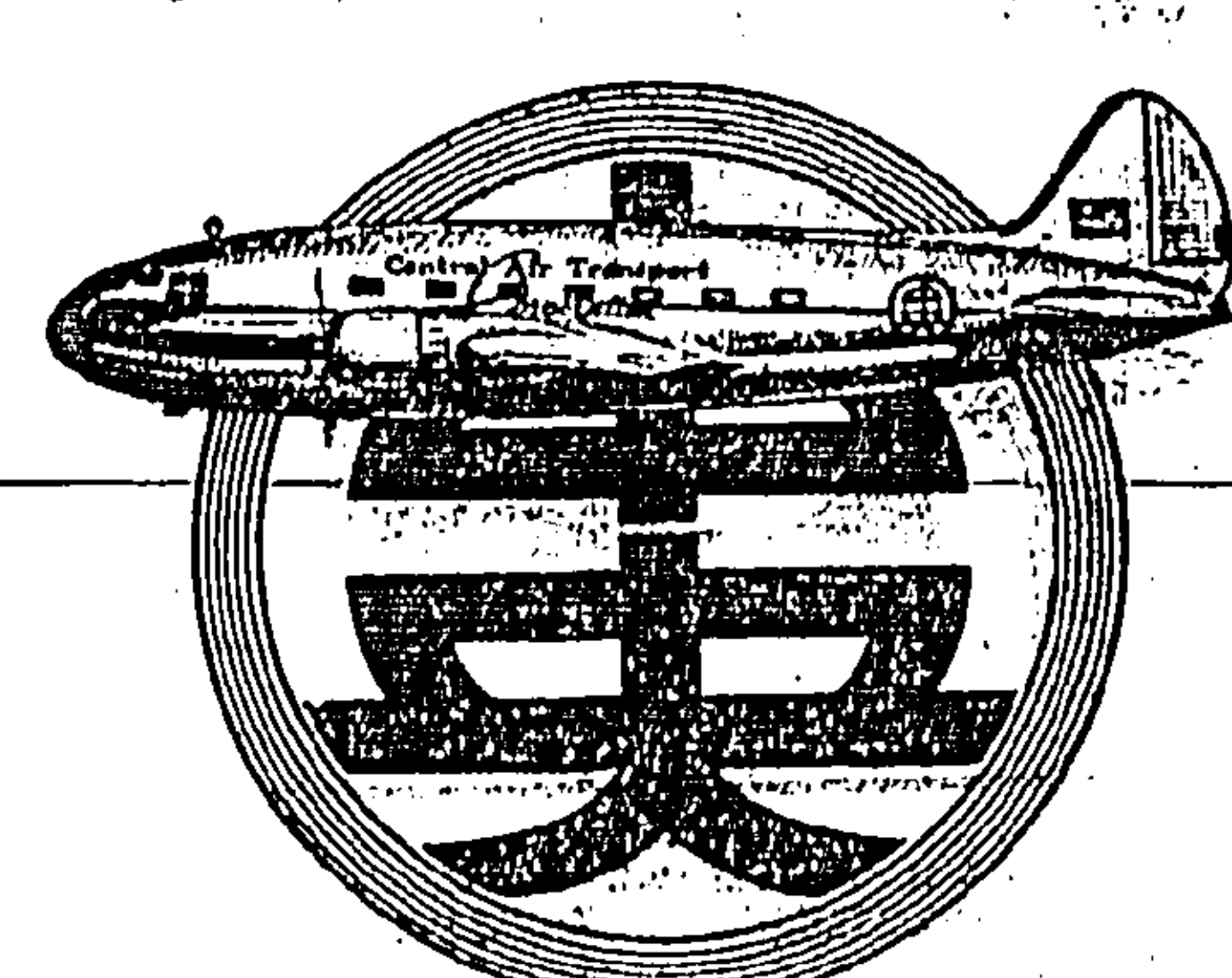
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U.S. WARNS JEWS AGAINST ANY INVASION OF EGYPT

Egyptian Policy On Palestine

Cairo, January 3. Egypt's new Prime Minister, Ibrahim Abdul Hadi Pasha, told Parliament tonight that his Government maintains an unchanged policy towards Palestine.

He hoped this would be the attitude of all Arab nations. In a policy speech to both Houses of Parliament, the successor to the assassinated Premier, Nokrashy Pasha, said: "We consider the liberation of Palestine as a task both national and humanitarian."

He called for the evacuation of all foreign troops from Egyptian soil and for the unity of the Sudan and Egypt under one crown.

On the home front, he said, the Government's main concerns are for internal security and a higher standard of living.

He appealed for these ranks and respect for the rights of the individual.

Well-informed sources said tonight that the Wafdist Party has tentatively agreed to join the Egyptian Coalition Government. They add that the decision is expected to be announced officially tomorrow in the party's newspaper—Reuter.

Woman Holds Up Big Bank

San Francisco, January 3. A hard-faced, middle-aged woman bandit single-handedly held up the large downtown branch of the Bank of America just before closing time today and escaped with approximately \$22,000.

A teller, John L. Zobel, 25, said the woman waited in line to reach his window. When her turn came, she handed him a note: "Three men with guns. Wait \$25,000."

The teller said he told the woman he did not have that amount and would have to go to the vault to get it, whereupon she said: "All right. Give me what you've got."

He said he handed the woman a packet of \$1,000 in five-dollar notes and an estimated \$1,000 in miscellaneous bills. "The woman did not appear to be armed," but her note said guns and that was enough for me."

The woman stuffed the currency into a paper bag and disappeared into the crowd on Market Street.—United Press.

Shell Reduces Fuel Oil Price

London, January 4. Shell Mex and British Petroleum Ltd., Britain's major oil companies, cut their domestic prices a halfpenny a gallon yesterday for fuel oil and heavy oil for industrial purposes.

The new gallon prices, effective from Monday, are 9.4d for fuel oil and 9.5d for heavy fuel oil.

A drop in the world market price for heavy fuel oil in the United States Gulf area has led to price cutting in England. Shell Mex and B.P.L., on November 16 lowered prices 1d for fuel oil and 3d for heavy fuel oil.

The firms' reductions were the first to the consumers since the Government-fixed oil prices became maximum permitted prices at the beginning of November. Other recent cuts have been for bunker fuel oil.—Associated Press.

Surprise Sequel To British Move

London, January 4.

The United States has warned Israel that it faces the loss of American recognition if it invades neighbouring states.

The surprise move followed a meeting between the British Ambassador, Sir Oliver Franks, and the U.S. Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Robert Lovett, on Friday.

Sir Oliver bluntly called on the United States to use its influence with the Jews to stay in their own territory.

Unless the Jews do so, Sir Oliver is reported to have told Mr. Lovett, Britain might be compelled to go to the aid of its friend and to take military action. The informant said that the United States acted swiftly with a message to the Tel Aviv Government sharply condemning the Jews for crossing into the territory of their neighbours. (The Jews last week officially denied ever having done so.)

The Tel Aviv Government on Monday formally replied to the State Department's warning. There is no information on what the Jews said.

Britain has been alarmed at the appearance of the Jews at points on or near the Palestine-Egyptian frontier, 120 miles away from the strategically vital Suez Canal.

Jews Withdraw

"This country can not tolerate the presence of any invading force in the vicinity of the Canal," an informant said. The British request to the United States to use what influence it could to halt a threatened Israeli invasion of Egypt appeared to observers to have met with some success.

Authoritative sources disclosed that the request had been followed by the withdrawal of the small Israeli force that had crossed the Egyptian border.

British officials in Washington are continuing to impress on the American Government their grave concern over the general position in the Middle East.

The claim that the Israeli Government used the recent truce period to build up a considerable stock of arms, mostly from Czechoslovakia and Central Europe, while the Arab countries are correspondingly weaker.

Grave Worry

Britain is said to have approached the United States Government directly because it recognised that Washington wields strong influence in Tel Aviv.

It is also appreciated that Britain's entanglement in a war between Egypt and Israel would have extremely serious effects on Anglo-American relations, thus imperilling the truce.

LONDON DISCUSSIONS

London, January 3.

Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, and the British service chiefs reviewed in London the possible implications of the presence of Jewish troops on Egyptian territory.

The British Government, which has military links with Egypt under the terms of the 1936 Anglo-Egyptian treaty, is doing everything possible to avert a situation in which she would be obliged to become involved in military operations on the Palestine frontiers.

Suggestions that British troops are already standing by in the Suez Canal Zone or that a decision to reinforce them has been taken, are discounted in London. Whereas Britain claims to have suspended all arms deliveries to either side in Palestine, even those laid down under her treaty.

IT WAS STILL 1948 IN PARIS.

Paris, January 3.

The French National Assembly approved the controversial 1948 budget today though officially the date was still December 31, 1948.

The Assembly's protracted sittings came to an end at 2.35 p.m. with the adoption of the Budget Bill's schedules with minor amendments imposed by the Council of the Republic.

By the calendar in the Chamber showing the December 31 date, the old Third Republic custom requiring the New Year budget to be approved in the old year was honoured.

An usher moved the calendar forward, skipping two days, as the Assembly adjourned and the weary deputies left to meet again on January 11.

The budget provided for 1,250 milliard francs on ordinary estimates and for 520 milliard francs for reconstruction and equipment.

The Assembly's final act before adjourning was reported to the Council of the Republic, which also adjourned until January 11.—Reuter.

THE SCORE IN MALAYA

Singapore, January 3.

A total of 408 Chinese terrorists were killed and 208 captured from the time a state of emergency was declared in Malaya on June 16, 1948, to the end of the year, it was officially disclosed tonight.

British military and civilian casualties in the same period were 482 killed and 404 wounded. They include 330 civilians killed, about two-thirds of whom were Chinese. Twenty-four were Europeans.—Reuter.

Britain Accused By U.S. Senator

Boston, January 3.

"Britain is shipping Marshall plan goods to Russia and thereby gaining many more friends."

This is according to Senator George W. Malone.

Senator Malone, chairman of the National Resources Economic Committee, made the statement when he arrived here by plane from a global girdling inspection tour. He later took off for New York.

He did not specify what Marshall plan goods Britain is alleged to be shipping to Russia.

Senator Malone said: "The United States must decide on the countries whose honesty and integrity are important to us and get ready to defend them by building an air corps strong enough to do so."

He also alleged that the Dutch and French are using the aid to re-establish their colonial empires.

Contending that the Chinese morale was low, he said he has been told by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek that the Chinese Communists are being

developments by suggesting that Britain is in the process of active military preparations for hostilities against Israel, as some reports suggest, is quite unjustified in the present circumstances, according to observers in London.—Reuter.

West's Approach To Russia On POW's

London, January 3.

Britain, the United States and France today demanded that Russia tell how many German war prisoners she still holds.

They also asked why she did not release them by midnight, December 31, in accordance with the formal inter-Allied agreement.

The Western Allies made the demand in separate notes addressed to the Soviet Office in Moscow by the U.S. Embassies.

The notes refer to published reports that Russia still holds up to nearly 1,000,000 Germans. She may hold many more who have remained unaccounted for since the end of the war nearly three years ago.

In addition, the Russians are known to be holding hundreds of thousands of Japanese war prisoners in Siberia in spite of her promises to repatriate them.

The Big Four powers agreed on April 23, 1947, during a conference of the Foreign Ministers in Moscow, that they would free all remaining German prisoners by midnight, December 31, 1948. Russia at that time admitted she held 800,342 Germans. France held 641,483, Britain 435,295 and the United States 16,103.

Big Mystery

But one of the big post-war mysteries is what has happened to perhaps 3,000,000 Germans who disappeared in Russia.

Since the Moscow agreement, the Western Allies have liberated all their prisoners except those held as war criminals and a few serving prison terms for ordinary crimes.

In this connection, a French Foreign Office spokesman denied Russian allegations that France was still holding 400,000 Germans. He said the last prisoner was freed weeks ago and the 84,000 Germans who remain in France are there voluntarily in service as free workers. Most of these, he said, are working normally on farms, in coal mines. Hundreds of thousands of Germans still held in Russia are believed to be working as slave labourers, except for those being indoctrinated with Communist ideology and trained to serve

Concrete For Liner's Bilge

Southampton, January 3.

Hundreds of workmen were tonight pouring liquid concrete into the stern bilge of the liner Queen Mary to stop leaks from sprung rivets which postponed her sailing by 25 hours from noon today.

Disappointed passengers were told this morning that the 31,225-ton liner, damaged while aground on a sandbank off Cherbourg in tornado-like winds on Saturday night, could not sail until tomorrow.

The workmen were shooting 100 tons of concrete into the bilge, a bucketful at a time, while pumps kept down the water from leaks near the propeller shafts.

While the Queen Mary remains in dock, the Cunard White Star Company are facing a loss of £15,000 a day. This includes extra dockage fees and first class hotel menus for passengers.—Reuter.

NEW AOC FOR GIBRALTAR

London, January 3.

Gibraltar will have a new Air Commander from the middle of this month. He is Air Commodore G. R. C. Spencer, Director of Air Force Welfare at the Air Ministry.

Air Commodore Spencer, aged 47, has seen long service in various parts of the world, notably in the Near East and in India. During the second World War, he commanded several RAF stations.

He was mentioned in despatches. The present Air Commander in Gibraltar has been appointed to command the Royal Observer Corps in Britain.—Reuter.

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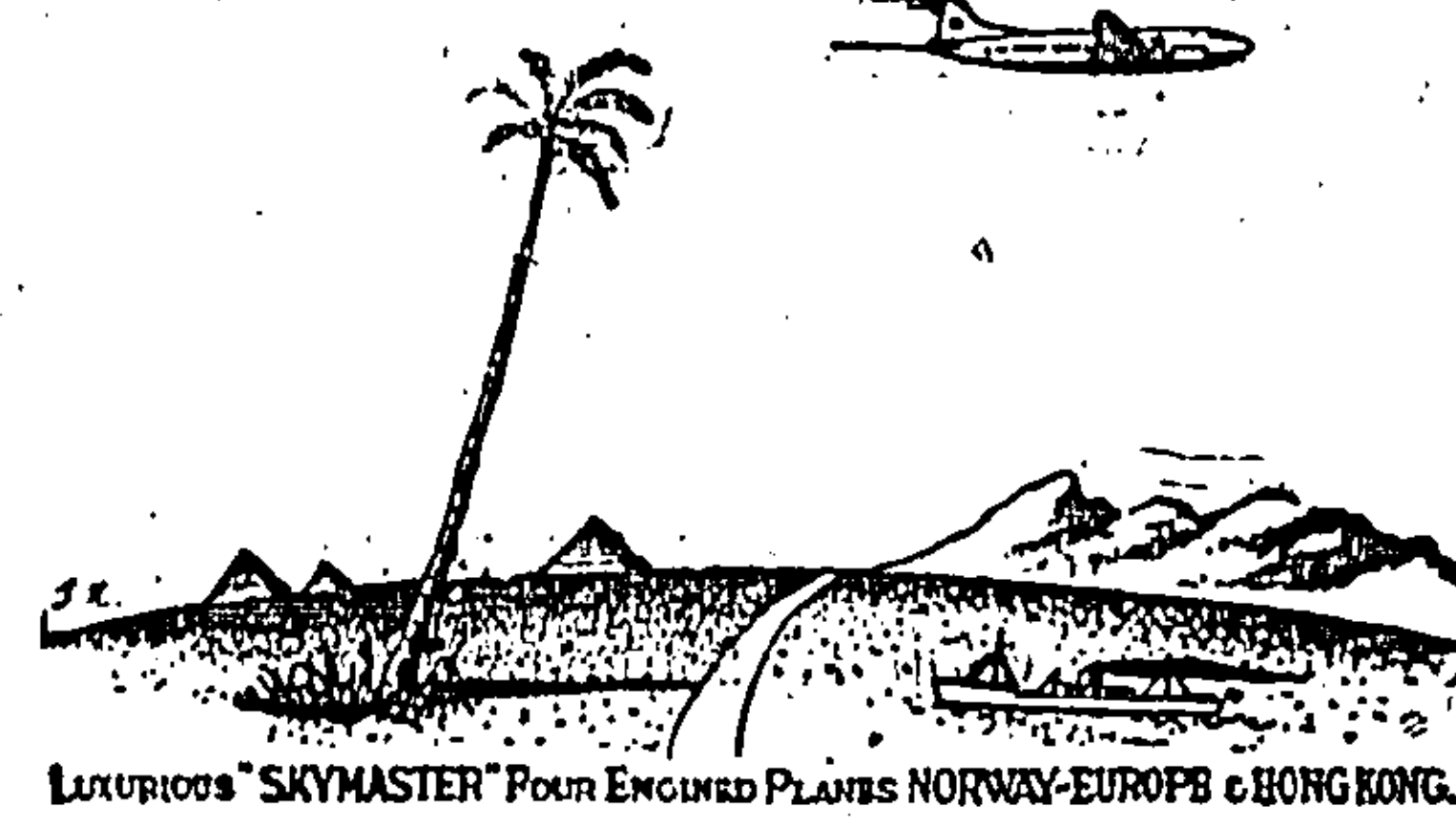
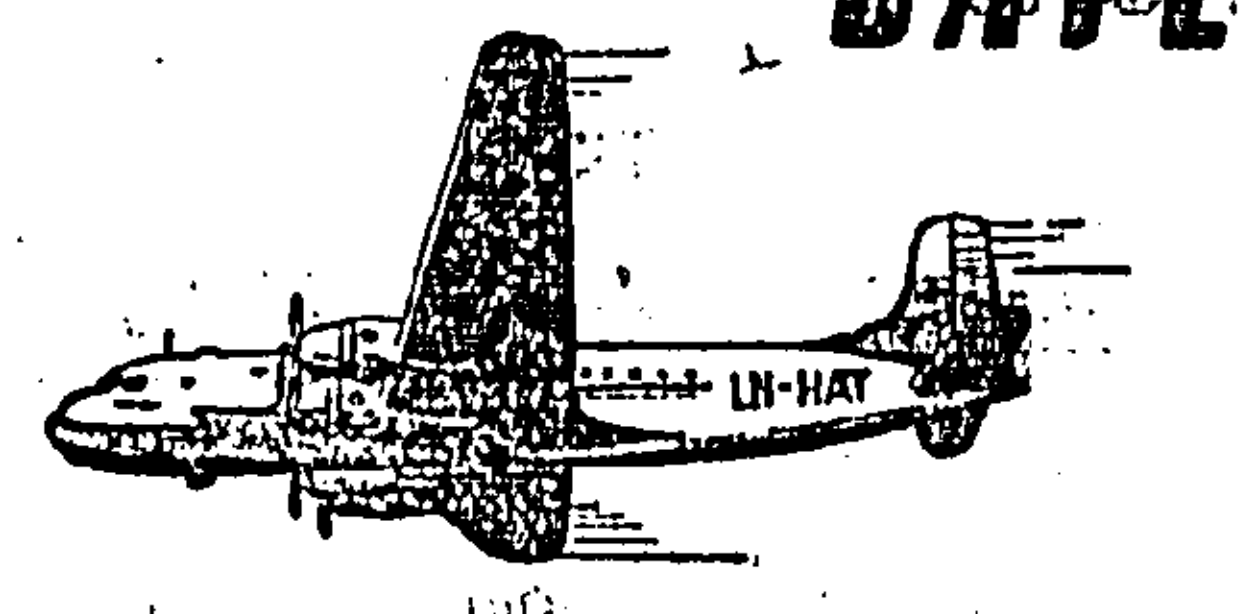
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Woman Today

PLAIN GIRLS— DON'T DESPAIR

There are many women whose features are far from perfect, whose figures would never lend themselves to dress modelling, yet who are considered lovely.

Beauty is a good deal like a charming personality. It is not exactly what you are, but what you make others think you are.

You can go ahead and build it. It takes time and it takes brains, but it can be accomplished.

Animation lights up many a plain face. It is something you get by cultivating mental vitality.

A keen wit helps it along; so does good nature, and tolerance for others.

You must be alive to the interests of other people, to what is going on in the world. Get in a rut, and you are lost.

Five Qualities

Give way to unpleasant emotions or brooding, and you might as well throw cosmetics out of the window; they won't do you a bit of good.

Qualities that help a woman create the illusion of beauty are nice manners, a well-modulated voice, a well-developed dress sense, good taste, and good carriage.

If one possesses these elements of charm, together with a fine, healthy skin and a smart hair style, one has nothing to worry about.

Of course, there is no denying that the peaches-and-cream complexion is an asset, but if one hasn't it, you make use of make-up. Applied discreetly, it will compensate for nature's shortcomings.

Strong Appeal

The expressive, interesting face has a power that puts more prettiness in the back row. It makes a strong appeal; even the dullest among us recognises it as a form of charm.

One observes flashes of beauty in the lighting of the eyes, in the uplift of the lip corners, the pose of the head, the tilt of the chin. No plain girl need despair. The first step is to keep sweet; never to invite conflict. Good nature is priceless; it has won millions of adoring husbands.

NYLON TERMS

How do you buy your nylons? Salesgirls declare that most women ask for a "51 gauge" when they want a sheer stocking. But gauge affects only the smooth appearance and wearing qualities, and not the weight. Actually gauge indicates the number of stitches on a machine as it knits a stocking.

Denier is the term which indicates the weight of yarn. The lower the denier number, the finer the yarn. When you ask for a "51 gauge" stocking, you are asking for a stocking with fine stitches; when you ask for a 15 denier stocking, you are asking for the sheerest hose made. The higher the gauge number, the finer and more numerous are the stitches; the lower the denier number the sheerer is the yarn used in the stocking. Slim ankles look better in the tawny shades, dark gunmetal and grey shades are for rounder legs. But a stocking wardrobe includes a complete variety of weights and shades.

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On winter coats, collars have gone up. Little collars fit snugly at the neckline to give you that chin-up look.

Big collars are also news on fitted and full coats; some square off in the back and others are cut with wide revers in the front.

Pockets on casual coats are large and deep, with generous flaps and occasionally a single-button trimming. The loose coats also have detachable back belts that give the suggestion of a lower waistline. Deep box pleats, front and back, on other coats are another way to neater fullness.

This year, some manufacturers have begun to label their special teen sizes, and you will find that styling has been planned so that there is a style and cut for every proportion. Be sure to look for this feature. The correct size—whether you are a large teen, a small teen or an in-between—is made for you, and you can cross off your budget a major alteration item if you buy a coat in your own size range.

Plaids and plain fabrics vie with each other in the coat parade. As for colour, bottle green, dark red, and tawny browns are leaders. Spicy

tweeds—and darkground—plaids are popular, too.

Novelty linings are an important feature—corduroy, plaid, wool flannel and alpaca. A removable lining in a bright red or green or bold plaid is a point to consider for warmth and wearability. Some coats have a new kind of fastener that zips the lining in or out in a hurry. Look to the lining, then, when you buy your coat.

A best-dress coat seems more as if it were a special-occasion coat if it is fur-trimmed. You will find handsome fabrics made especially for fur trimmings of beaver, gray persian lamb and leopard.

A coat without fur, however, can have a dressed-up look if the collar and pockets are of velvet, as in one coachman-refer style that is now this fall. A cape can add a fashionable look, as in another fitted coat with a deep shoulder cape edged in black velvet. Still another fashion is a double shoulder capelet faced with brown velvet to match the tiny collar.

A coat can be a prized possession. You can find winter warmth and be fashion-wise as well, whether your choice be fitted or flared.

Ann Temple Secrets Of Her Charm

There's a crowd of us here very interested in your reply about charm in a woman. We will do not bracket it with reliability.

Would you say that the woman who has charm is unreliable? Will you give us a definition of feminine charm? —SIX BUSINESS WOMEN.

I wouldn't bracket charm with any other one quality. It's a flower that pops up in the most unexpected of soils. You never know.

And certainly I wouldn't expect a charming woman to be more than they were conscious of having undertaken. Charm heightens and brightens tempo of living for the moment. It should be accepted at that and left at that.

Possibly the reason why people with charm are often suspected of unreliability is that too much is expected of them—more than they were conscious of having undertaken. Charm heightens and brightens tempo of living for the moment. It should be accepted at that and left at that.

A definition of feminine charm? That's a hard one because you are sex-dividing charm. My guess is that the essential quality of charm is the same in both men and women, and that is an ability to make other people feel pleased with themselves. Analyse all its varying forms and I think you will find that is the inmost secret.

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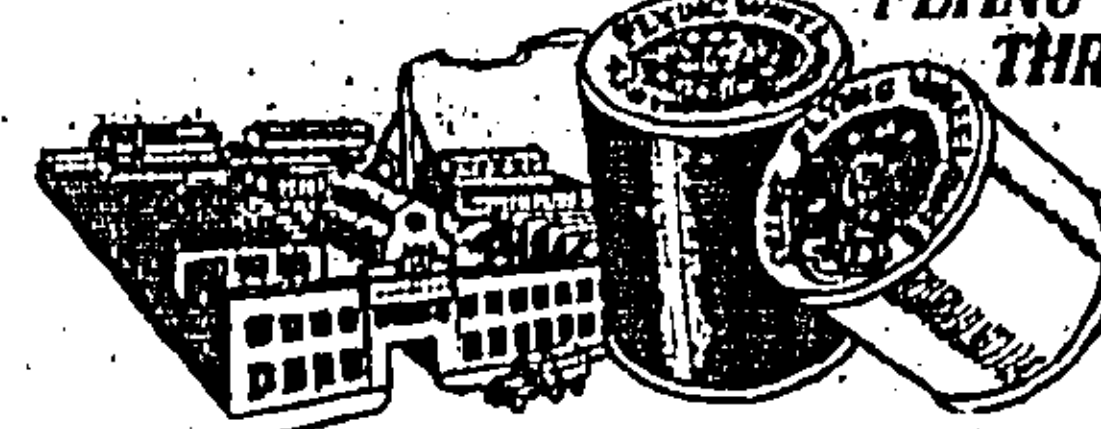
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King Makes Fast Progress

London, January 3. King George, who is suffering from an arterial condition affecting the circulation in his legs and feet, has made uninterrupted progress, a Buckingham Palace medical bulletin announced tonight.

The bulletin added that the blood circulation is improving slowly, and that the King's health in general is entirely satisfactory.—Reuter.

STRUGGLE WITH THE RUSSIANS

Washington, January 4. President Truman is expected to tell the Congress on Wednesday that America is winning the first stage of the struggle with Russia.

To that he is expected to add that a long and costly campaign has been waged.

Political observers look back on 1948 as a year of consolidation among the Western nations of Europe. This year is expected to see fruition of a system of military alliances that will further bind these nations in the cold war against Communism.

Russia, meanwhile, has urged ahead in Asia. In China she threatens to take active control of the country through her Communist forces.

To her gains in Asia, Russia is expected within the next year to launch a peace offensive aimed at disarming the nations of Europe.

Because of this view, Mr. Truman is expected to be sceptical toward Russian friendship advances.

United States policy toward Europe is not based on the argument that the European nations ought to line up with the United States against Russia. Its real theme is that Russia seeks domination for Communism through either war or peace.

In the event of war the first blows would fall on Western Europe and the interests of the United States require that this country help the European nations preserve their freedom.—Associated Press.

'Tokyo Rose' To Stand Trial

San Francisco, January 4.

American-born Iva Toguri d'Aquino, accused of broadcasting as "Tokyo Rose" during the war, will be tried on May 16 on a treason charge.

The date was set yesterday after she pleaded innocent to the charge in a district court.

Mrs. d'Aquino was accused of traitorously and treasonably giving aid and comfort to Japan by her wartime broadcasts to American troops in the Pacific.

The defence attorney, Wayne Collins, indicated he would seek to force the prosecution to subpoena certain defence witnesses from Japan. He himself can subpoena as witnesses American citizens living in Japan but only the prosecution may subpoena aliens.

The accused woman was returned to the county jail but Collins said he would seek her release.—Associated Press.

PRIVATE ENTERPRISE TARGET OF CZECHS

Prague, January 3. Czechoslovakia's new general tax hits hard at surviving private enterprises and consumers not approved by trade unions or party organizations.

Preference is given for nationalised or co-operative enterprises as against the remaining capitalist elements officially designated as primary targets in the 1949 Communist campaign of development.

Even wider preferences are shown in the scales affecting consumers. The rates show differences of a 1,000 per cent and more, depending on whether goods are bought by persons in approved organizations, or by others not fully integrated into the Communist-devised system.

Rising tax burdens will leave prices of the bare necessities low, while falling heavily on everything else.

Washington, January 3. Within a few hours of the United States' new Democratic Congress opening its first session today, President Truman's supporters had cleared one obstacle which threatened to block his liberal "New Deal" legislation.

Defeating a Republican-Southern Democrat Coalition, the House of Representatives adopted a proposal submitted by the Administration to limit the powers of the conservative-dominated Rules Committee which decides the bills to come before Congress.

The new rule provides that whenever a Legislative Committee approves a bill and the Rules Committee fails to clear it for a House vote after 21 calendar days, the Chairman of the Legislative Committee may call it up for action regardless of the Rules Committee.

The first Congress opened today with President Truman's Democratic Party, victors in last November's elections, in control. The Republican Party immediately decided to test the rules of the House of Representatives.

They hope to form an opposition with some Southern Democrats who oppose Mr. Truman's Civil Rights for Negroes programme.

The Democrats control the House of Representatives with 262 members against the Republicans' 171 and the Senate with a safe majority of 54 against the Republicans' 42.

Three Hurdles

The three hurdles to be cleared before a smooth passage of the New Deal legislation is assured include:

1. The possibility of a non-stop filibuster by Senators of the Southern States to prevent the enactment of the Civil Rights Programme. To prevent this by changing the rules the Democrats will need Republican support in what may be a bitter fight against a section of their own party.

2. The seniority system—a custom whereby the chairmanship of Congressional Committees is given to members who have served the longest. This has tended to put control into the hands of conservatives who could slow down the legislation considerably.

The liberal Democrats are opposing this but it is unlikely that much will be done about it in the present Congress.

Sforza Illness "Diplomatic"

Rome, January 3. Italy's Foreign Minister, Count Carlo Sforza, is reported today in bed with influenza, an illness which several newspapers describe as "diplomatic."

Political opposition is making as much capital as possible out of what is regarded here as a sharp set-back to Italian-French friendship, keynote of the Count's policy, by the French rejection on December 29 of minor frontier readjustments.

These adjustments, which would give Italy direct access to two power stations on the Mont Cenis plateau and restore its ski slopes to the mountain resort of Chamonix, had already been agreed between the two countries and were embodied in the bill which the French Foreign Affairs Commission unanimously rejected.—Reuter.

WINSTON DINES WITH ROYALTY

Nice, January 3. Mr. Winston Churchill, with Mrs. Churchill and their daughter, dined tonight at the Chateau de la Croix, near Antibes, with King Leopold of Belgium and his wife, ex-King Michael and his wife, and the Duke and Duchess of Windsor.—Reuter.

British Cabinet Reshuffle

London, January 4. The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, is about ready to announce a Cabinet reshuffle.

Political sources close to Mr. Attlee say the changes probably will be announced this week.

The Defence Minister, Mr. A. V. Alexander, has been under considerable fire in Parliament and in the opposition press. Both the Army and Air Force have been accused of inefficiency.

Speculation on a possible successor swings mainly around two names with fighting records.

They are Earl Mountbatten, who commanded operations against Japan in South East Asia, and Lord Douglas of Kilsnoe, who formerly was Air Marshal Sir Sholto Douglas.—Associated Press.

Holidays In Switzerland For Britons

London, January 3. Holidays for Britons in Switzerland in 1949 will be an outstanding problem for discussion during the Anglo-Swiss trade and financial talks which open in Bern tomorrow.

The British delegation to the talks, consisting of Treasury, Bank of England and Board of Trade representatives, left London today. The problem is one of gold.

Britain sold fewer goods to Switzerland during 1948 than she expected to, and has therefore had to send an unexpected amount of gold to Switzerland to pay the year's total trade, including the tourist trade.

Because they regard all tourism as a luxury import, Treasury officials are unwilling to continue these gold payments and fear that British tourist traffic to Switzerland may have to be cut in some way unless the Swiss can think of any means of obviating this.

"The Swiss are usually very ingenious in thinking up methods for making tourist traffic possible and there is no reason for despair, but the total Anglo-Swiss trade simply must somehow be balanced in 1949," one source said.—Reuter.

SPOT STERLING IN NEW YORK

New York, January 3. Accompanied by the largest dealings in many weeks, spot sterling today declined to 4.02-7/8 dollars before encountering a better type of support, according to foreign exchange dealers.

The current softness is expected to be temporary and is largely attributed to reports that certain oil companies were prominent sellers today.

Demand, however, was initially slow in as much as the trade has been eased out before 1948 expired.—Reuter.

Aussies Build Own Vampires

Melbourne, January 3. Australian-built Vampire jet fighters are expected to replace Royal Australian Air Force Mustangs from next March.

The actual speed of the Australian Vampire is not yet known, but it is expected to out-perform the British model by reason of its more powerful Rolls-Royce Nene engines.

The Goblin engine which it was originally planned to install in the Australian-built plane would have given it a maximum speed of 485 miles per hour.—Reuter.

Japanese Take To The Mountains

Tokyo, January 3.

More than 9,000 former Japanese servicemen have made their homes in the mountains of Taiwan rather than return to Japan.

They have married native women, organised their own colony and support themselves by farming and hunting.

This report was recently brought to Japan by Mr. Iwao Shigematsu, a Japanese businessman who accompanied a Chinese Government mission sent to investigate claims that Japanese soldiers are still hiding on the island.

These soldiers escaped from their barracks with the intention of finding a way to Japan.

Official Japanese reports say that 9,000 former Japanese soldiers are missing in Taiwan.—Reuter.

Talks On Statute For Germany

London, January 3.

The talks in London between the three Western powers on the occupation Statute for West Germany will open on January 17, not January 10 as originally planned.

An official announcement on the date is still awaited. The postponement is understood to be designed to permit full discussion of German problems by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, and the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, before the talks open.

M. Schuman will be in London from January 13 to 15.

A Foreign Office spokesman said today that the talks will seek to complete the work of the three Western Military Governors in Germany who have for some weeks been attempting to draft an occupation Statute.

Two chief issues, on which the Military Governors failed to agree, remain to be settled: 1.—Whether the West German Federal Government or the individual Land Governments are to be responsible for collecting occupation costs.

SHANGHAI HIT BY COLD WAVE

Shanghai, January 4.

A total of 189 frozen bodies, of which seven were adults and the others children, was picked up in the city's streets yesterday by the Public Benevolence Society.

The death toll has amounted to 513 since Christmas.

Almost in every case, the bodies of the victims showed signs of near-starvation.

The weather yesterday dropped to 18 degrees Fahrenheit and at midnight last night reached 15. Hundreds more bodies are expected to be picked up today.

The Benevolence Society reported that 4,211 bodies were picked up off the streets since November 1. Some of them died of natural causes.—United Press.

JAPANESE ACTOR IN HOLLYWOOD

Hollywood, January 3.

Sessue Hayakawa, Japanese star of the silent films, returned to Hollywood today to resume his film career after an absence of 16 years.

Found in Paris, Hayakawa was given a test and then flown to the United States to appear in Humphrey Bogart's film, "Tokyo Joe," at Columbia Studios.

The State Department approved his entry.—United Press.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS IN BURMA BREAK DOWN

Rangoon, January 4.

Peace negotiations between an outlawed Burmese army group and the government broke down yesterday.

The break comes in the midst of the nation's preparations to celebrate its first independence anniversary today.

An official statement says that White Band People's Volunteer Organisations (the PVO's)—a rebel group said to number 50,000 men—has again gone underground.

The break follows Government rejection of a PVO demand that they be regarded as mercenaries soldiers instead of volunteers. The Government also turned down a request that the PVO's be allowed to retain their arms.

Bo Pu Kun, PVO leader and former Education Minister, and his chief aides have disappeared from Rangoon, the statement says.

The PVO is made up of forces from the private army of U Aung San, assassinated Nationalist. It went underground last August when the Government outlawed it.

Once looked on as a main prop of the Government, the PVO split with the Government when it rejected a programme for Leftist unity and demanded immediate negotiations with the insurgent Communists.

Border Trouble

The current peace negotiations with the Government began in late November.

Official sources believe the PVO's are being tutored by Communists.

MALAYA WAR DAMAGE CLAIMS

Washington, January 3.

The State Department announces that it has been informed that claims for war damage to American property in Singapore and the Federation of Malaya are being accepted for registration by the Malayan War Damage Claims Commission.

The Department points out that it had been previously announced that the time for registration of such claims expired in 1947. However, legislation is now being considered by the Government of Singapore and the Federation of Malaya which will provide compensation for certain types of war damage to property.

It cannot be predicted whether submission of late claims will be barred upon enactment of legislation. The announcement adds that claims should be addressed to the Secretary of the War Damage Claims Commission in Kuala Lumpur.—United Press.

ITALIAN RATES

Rome, January 3.

Foreign exchange rates applicable during January, based on the average of export rates for the lira in the free market during December, have been fixed by the Bank of Italy as follows:

U.S. dollars 575 lira (unchanged) Swiss franc, 141 against 144, Portuguese escudo 23.17 lira, unchanged from previous month, French franc 215 lira, unchanged, Belgian franc 13.12 against 13.11.—Reuter.

RANGOON TURNS DOWN FANTASTIC SCHEME

Rangoon, January 4.

A Burmese Government spokesman said today that the Government does not approve sending a Burmese expeditionary force to fight against the Dutch in Indonesia.

The spokesman, commenting on an announcement of such a force on Sunday by a former Premier, Ba Maw, said the situation in Burma would not permit any plan to place any large quantity of munitions in the hands of unauthorised persons.

Burma needs all her arms for her own needs, he said, Burma is fighting Communist surrenditions.

"We have our own lawlessness to stamp out and our present stocks of arms and ammunition are insufficient," the spokesman said.

"As we are still having to purchase stocks from abroad for arming the nation's defence forces, we cannot be expected to arm an expeditionary force such as Ba Maw says he is raising for Indonesia."

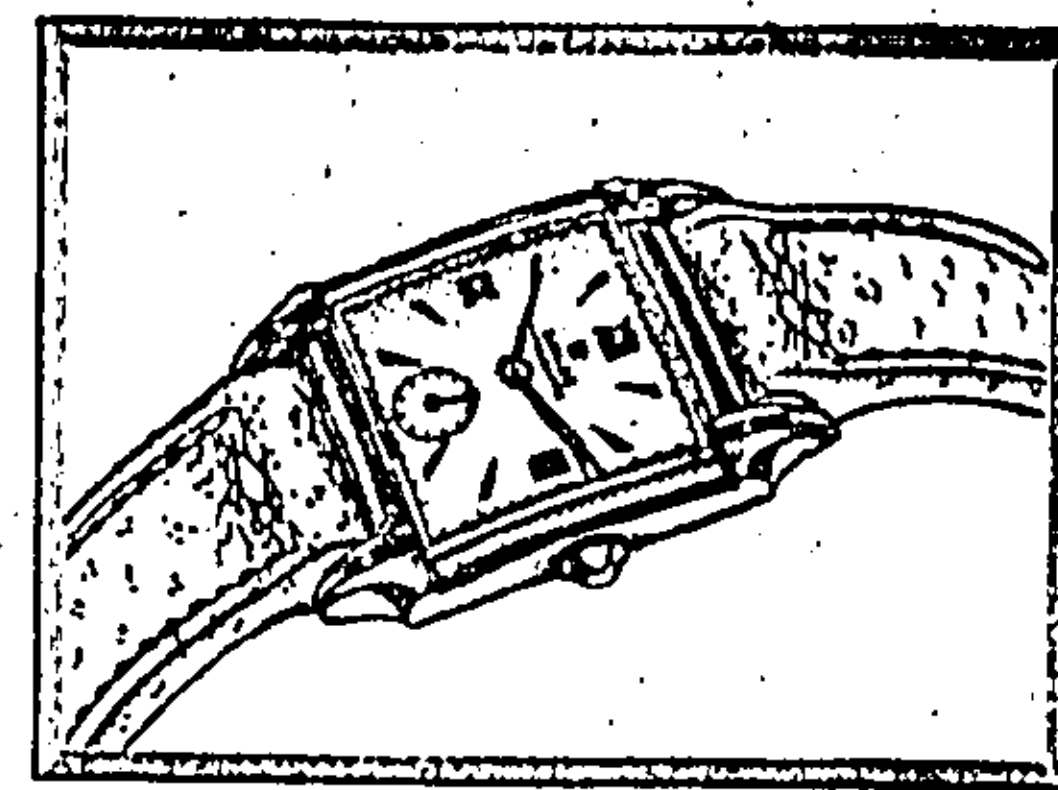
ATOMIC BODY FOR INDIA

Allahabad, January 3.

India is setting up an atomic energy commission under the chairmanship of the Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru.

Dr. K. S. Krishnan, President of the All-India Science Congress, announcing the formation of the Commission, told delegates it was fitting that India should not lag behind other countries in the development of atomic energy.—Reuter.

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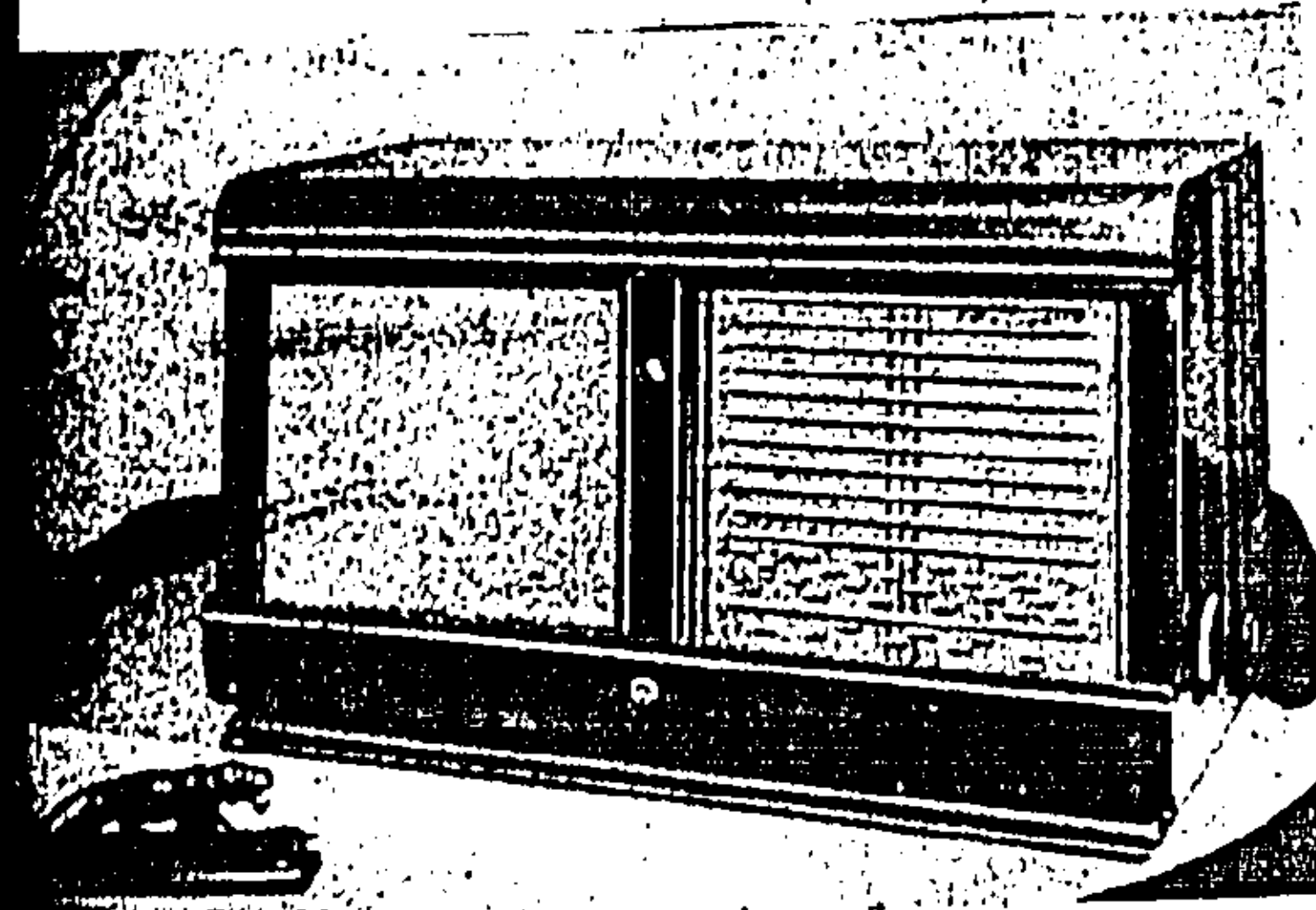
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There are 10 races each day (50 in all). The "Hong Kong Derby" is scheduled to be run on the third day, Tuesday, 18th January, Race No. 6 at 3.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.
Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 per day including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member, to be responsible for all such etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurers' Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 10 a.m. each day. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.
The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 each day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tie-Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.
Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

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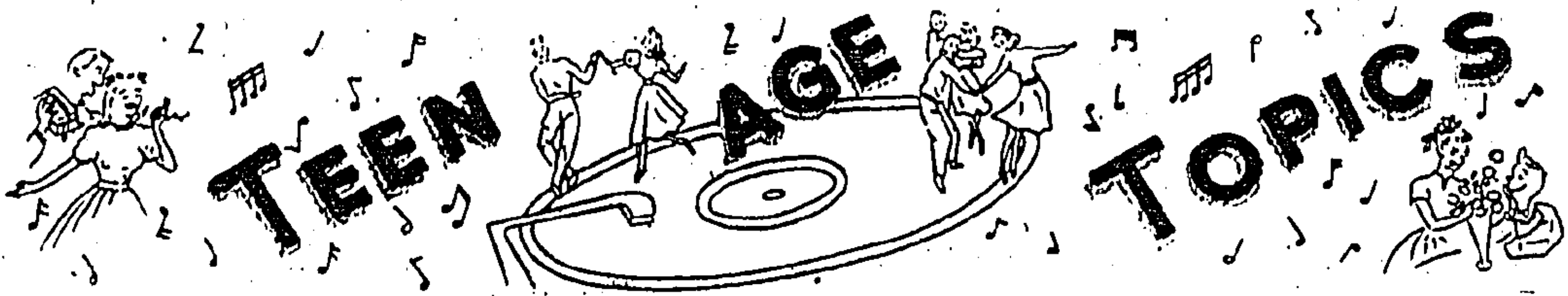
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Editorial

The Comics

The cry against the comics has been a subject of heated controversy.

And strange to say, the loudest voices against comics come from American quarters—from a people who, more than any others, have helped to make the strips equally popular among old as well as young.

The "Reader's Digest" has published two vehement and controversial articles. Magazines and periodicals devoted much space to their varying views. And the climax of this torrential prosecution was reached when some obscure cleric went to the limit in advocating their complete abolition. Of course, this was not taken very seriously.

A popular argument of the prosecutors is that the wide spread of juvenile delinquency is to some extent due to the publication and easy accessibility of this "perverted technique of telling nonsense."

It is admitted that the extreme violence pictured in the strips of some features—usually aimed at providing "action"—could be treated with more discrimination and still retain its liveliness.

But to brand these as evil just because of a few cases of youthful mindless running amok, is far from being a convincing argument. One might just as soon with the same vehemence, brand the many horror-movie, which have passed the most stringent critics of church authorities.

The greatest objection to comics, I think, will be of the kind where prominence is given to the young people's utter disrespect to their elders; and coarse language put on their lips.

Another undesirable feature of the comics is the strips where female figures are clothed in little more than the leaves of the trees from which they swing.

The focus here seems to be more on the lines of the form than on the lines of the jungle-adventure story they are supposed to tell.

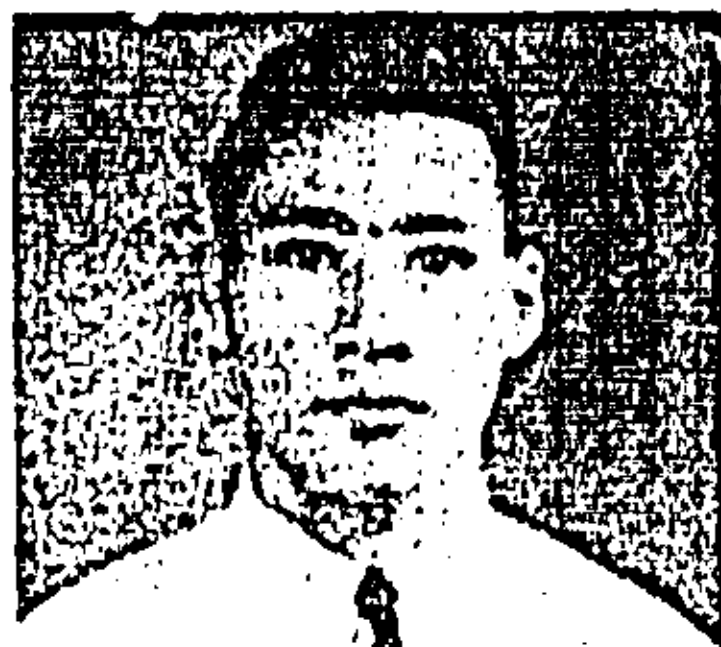
Personality

Louis Souase was born in Hong Kong 19 years ago. He started school at St. Joseph's College, but before he reached intermediate grade, Hong Kong was at war.

So like many others, Louis packed and went to live in Macao. In the Portuguese Colony, he found that he could continue his English studies. The Irish Jesuits from Hong Kong had opened a temporary college there, St. Louis' Gonzaga, where Louis matriculated in 1944.

After the liberation, Louis returned to the Colony and found a position in the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, where he works today.

Louis does as much reading as his spare time will permit. His forte is particularly for Western



LOUIS SOUSA

adventures. He finds pleasure in short story compositions and correspondence in general.

He takes part in almost every sport that is played in Hong Kong. His chief attention is given to ping pong, tennis and football.

Louis plays football for the Portuguese Catholic Association's team in the second division of the local league. In billiards and snooker, he also plays a fairly straight cue.

Louis likes company and is always making new friends. "I get along nicely with people, and they, in turn, get along nicely with me," he says.

Party Experience

The party was going fine, the music was gay, everyone was having a good time and in walked Wallace.

Son's heart immediately sank. The hostess's face changed, the music slowed and the noise ceased altogether.

"Well, what a surprise, Wally. You didn't tell me you were coming," the hostess spoke, with a hidden feeling.

"And you didn't ask me!" Wallace replied, then turning he faced a pair of hardened eyes.

"What are you staring at me for, Mickey? You've seen me before. Go ahead and dance everybody. Don't mind me. Say Julia, your dress is all right except for the colours. Black doesn't match blue, but you think it does." To a group gazing at him, "What are you people playing?—Without you, the timing is wrong. Too slow, Johnny don't hold Patsy that way, it looks awful."

Before he could continue with his observations, an embarrassed, crimson-faced couple left hastily and all the pleas of the poor hostess could not bring them back.

Julia pumbled something to her partner, Johnny, and went to the next room. Johnny looked after them deliberately took a few steps forward and faced Wallace with fire in his eyes.

"Now listen, you. If you must pick someone to insult, go and pick outside, and not here. And kindly lock up your critical tone, understand?"

"No I don't," continued Wallace, still in his casual, nonchalant way. "Incidentally, your tie is not in the proper place Johnny; the knot should be a little more to the left. Oh, blow your tie, here's Sylvia."

"Greetings Sylvia, like the music?" And before the flabbergasted Sylvia could think, she

TIT BITS

A good play to see town is the Stage Club production of "Treasure Island," taken from the pirate-adventure story by Robert Louis Stevenson. The play starts tomorrow.

John Keates, a teen ager, takes the part of Jim Hawkins, the boy-lead in the story. This part was played by Jackie Cooper many years ago when Hollywood made the movie.

Peter Thompson will soon be leaving school. This means that King George V School will be raising a very able sportsman. Peter is a good footballer and a better swimmer. He plays tennis with as much skill as he has in the many kinds of games that he takes part in.

Patricia Sullivan, who was prevented from taking part in swimming last year due to appendicitis, is now fully fit and just waiting for the warm season to return. She will be taking part in the championship events this year. Meanwhile, distribute her time between ballet dancing, reading and of course, her studies.

was swinging around on Wallace's arm and slowly the people began to dance again.

Just before the music came to an end, there was a loud crash and there sitting right through the drum on the bandstand, was the dashing Wally looking more surprised and silly than the people of whom he had just made fun. And standing there supported in Johnny's arm was timid, little, shy Sylvia who had accidentally stepped on her partner's loose shoe lace.

The people danced on as if nothing happened and the music went on without a backward glance. Just as well anyway, for no one had given him any more attention than was called for by the noise he made.

Alice Poon.

PLATTER CHATTER

The recent this week is on hot jazz with honours divided between Decca and Capitol for their albums A Jazz Concert at Eddie Condon's and New American Jazz, respectively.

Condon's album, first released in 1947, comprises of: Just You, Just Me; The Sheik of Araby; Atlantic Blues; Farewell Blues; The Way You Look Tonight; Improvisation Ensemble No. 1; Stars Fell On Alabama and Some Sunny Day.

Vocals on Sheik and Improvisation are by gravel-throated Jack Teagarden who for my money is the best "hot" man who ever blew a trombone. Just You features the crisp pianistics of James P. Johnson.

Trumpeters Max Kaminsky, Bobby Hackett and Billy Butterfield. Drummers Dave Tough and George Wettling. Bassist Bob Haggart. Ernie Caceres on baritone sax and Pee Wee Russell on clarinet are among the other notables.

The Capitol album has an imposing array of great names including Barney Bigard and Jimmy Monroe. Teagarden is the only musician appearing on both collections with his blues vocals and slide trombone.

Sides are: I'm Sorry I Made You Cry; Clambake in B-Flat; Sugar; Ain't Goin' No Place; That Old Feeling; Someday Sweetheart; Casanova's Lament and in My Solitude.

Peggy Lee chirps on Ain't Goin' and Old Feeling and Dave Matthews (tenor sax) is featured in Solitude. The album carries pictures of the eighteen musicians who made this fine contribution to jazz.

Albums and flourishes make these platters an artistic asset.

Columbia is to be commended for Johnny Hodges' Jeeps Blues and Rendezvous With Rhythm. Slow blues solos on Jeeps by Hodges on alto, Cootie Williams on trumpet, Harry Carney on baritone sax and Lawrence Brown on trombone. On Rhythm, Duke himself starts proceedings with a solo followed by Hodges, Cootie (open trumpet), Brown and then again that greatest of alto arien, Hodges.

A small unit which has not attracted much attention locally is Joe Mooney's unit. I like their interpretations of the much recorded Tea for Two; September Song and Just a Gigolo.

Frankie Laine's warbling on Mercury records is unique but there is no half-way measure where he is concerned.

HOLIDAYS

There is not much need of proving to most school girls and boys that holidays are necessary. They are quite convinced that holidays are, and most desirable tool.

They welcome a holiday from school with glee, and plague the headmaster at the least excuse to let them off their lessons.

It would be more in place to try to convince them of the necessity of work and study. Yet it may be desirable to show that regular intervals of rest, recreation or a change of occupation, are really necessary.

Holidays at proper intervals are especially necessary for young people and for those engaged in hard mental work. Continuous working without a break will injure the health and may cause a nervous breakdown. A short holiday rightly spent will send us back to our work with renewed zest and vigour.

On the other hand, if a holiday is spent in wasteful idleness, or in an exhausting round of exciting amusements, or shut up in close, stuffy rooms, or in any other unhealthy way, the boys or girls will come back to their work tired, listless, and uninterested.

The holiday, instead of doing good, has done harm—much more harm than steady work could ever do. If we are students or have been shut up in stuffy offices, we should get away into the pure air of the country and live a healthy open air life, enjoying games or sports. We should avoid unhealthy amusements, keep early hours and get plenty of refreshing sleep.

We should not be completely idle. Change of occupation is a rest.

Winnie Reau.

Competition

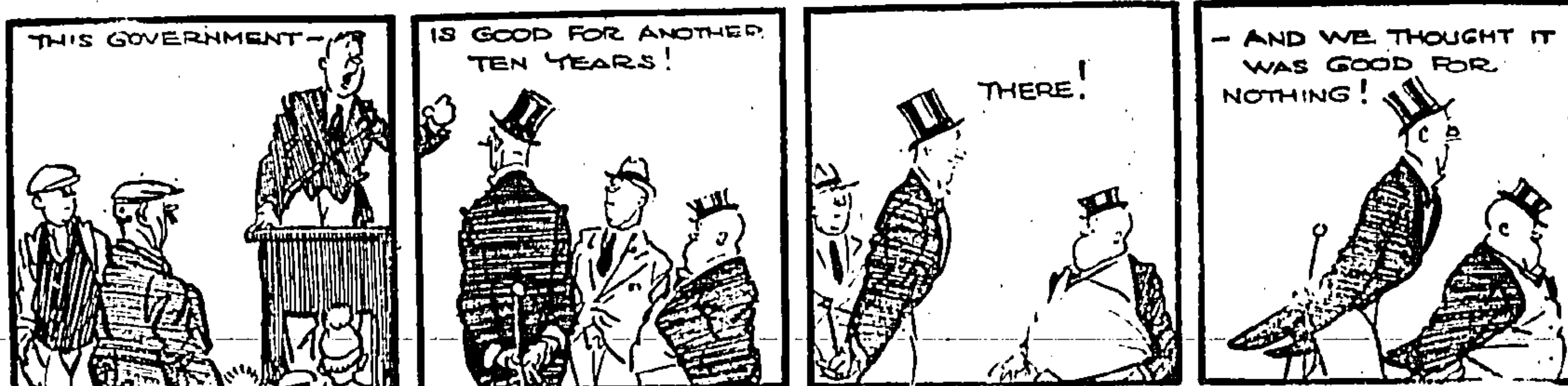
Winners of the essay competition last week are: Winnie Reau (\$8), 23, Lock Road, 3rd floor, Kowloon, and Alice Poon (\$4), 246 Nathan Road, 3rd floor, Kowloon. The prizes will be in the mail today.

For this week, write an article on "Teen Age Manners". There will be two prizes (\$5 and \$4) for the best selected two entries. The winning articles will be published in next week's issue of the Topics.

You either go for him in a big way or you will find him as novel as ground glass in a sandwich.

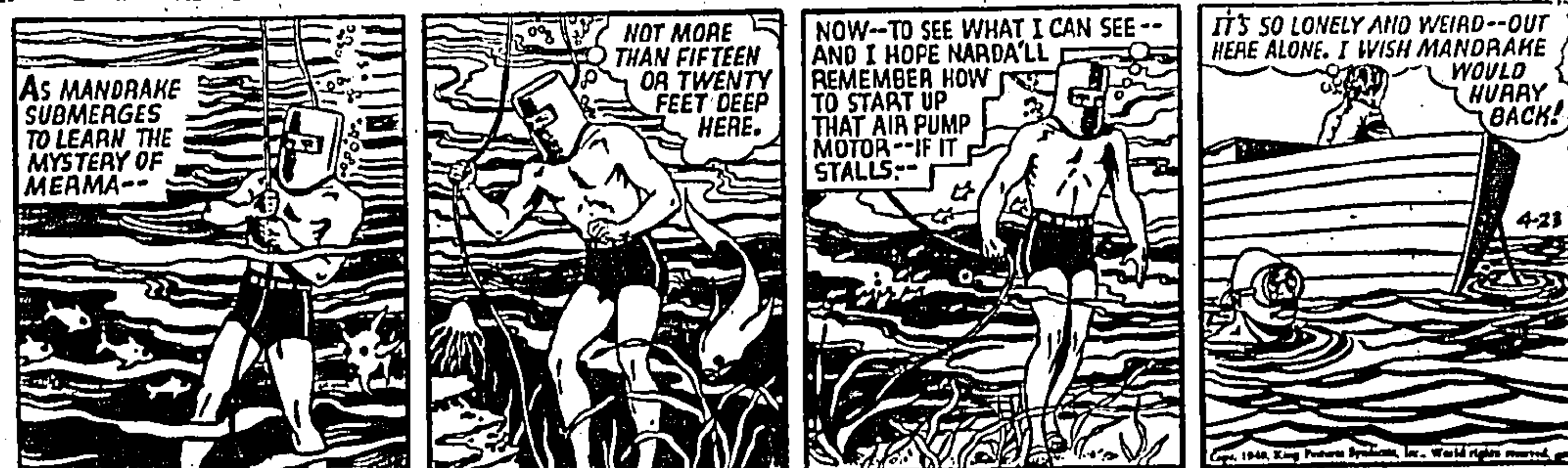
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Flight Lieutenant and Mrs. N. A. J. Griffin (formerly Miss Jacqueline Scoot) on the steps of St. Theresa's Church after their wedding on Boxing Day. (China Mail photo)



A HAPPY GROUP at the children's party given at the China Fleet Club on December 28 by H. M. Dockyard Recreation Club. (Ming Yuen photo)



SOME OF THE CHILDREN at the party given at the China Fleet Club by H. M. Dockyard Recreation Club work off a little excess energy. (Ming Yuen photo)



CHRISTMAS DINNER in the dining hall of the Military Hospital, Bowen Road. (Mee Cheung photo)

A VERY HEAVILY bearded Santa Claus visits a patient in the surgical ward of the Military Hospital, Bowen Road. (Mee Cheung photo)



GAMES FOR THE KIDDIES at Mr. and Mrs. J. Shombrot's children's party on Christmas Day at Peak Mansions. (Mee Cheung photo)



A pre-Christmas dinner in the Dockyard Police Mess on December 23, (Ming Yuen photo)



At the USRC dance on December 18. (L to R) Mrs. A. McAusland, Mr. Mrs. Baskett, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Campbell, Mr. McAusland, Mr. and Mrs. Millner. (Mee Cheung photo)



The Great Britain softball team, captained by Thelma Watson, (third from left in back row), which defeated China in the international competition by 11 runs to four on December 27. (Ming Yuen photo)



The Kung Nan girls' basketball team who left on the S.S. Resolute on December 28 for a tour to the Philippines. (Sun Ying Ming photo)



Assistant Superintendent George Allan Rodney Wright-Nooth of the Hong Kong Police, and his bride, formerly Miss Frances Mary Gregory, after their wedding at St. John's Cathedral on December 23. (China Mail photo)



Outside St. Joseph's Church, Dr. George Choa and his wife, formerly Miss Mabel Nora Kotewall, pose after their wedding on December 27. (China Mail photo)



The Registrar's Office on December 22 with Piu and Miss Lo Ka



A large group of well-wishers gathers round Mr. Tsung Yam Po and his wife, formerly Miss Maria Way, after their wedding at Rosary Church on December 18. (Ming Yuen photo)



Paul Nicholas, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mallorie, is received into the Church at St. Andrew's on December 18. (China Mail photo)



At St. Andrew's Church on December 18 the marriage was solemnised of Mr. Leslie Thomas Reed and Miss Phillis Ivy Boome. (China Mail photo)



Mr. Hans Ernest Waeny and his newly-wedded wife, formerly Miss Ada Mary Beatrice Morton, after their wedding at St. John's Cathedral on December 27. (China Mail photo)



is the scene of the wedding of Mr. Ho Yuen Ping. (China Mail photo)



After their wedding on December 27, Mr. Peter C. N. Wong and his wife, formerly Miss Brigitte Allays Chan, pose under the floral bell outside St. Theresa's Church. (Sun Ying Ming photo)



Has your baby's picture been entered in the "China Mail" baby competition?

If not, send it along now. The competition will definitely close on January 15, 1949.

The judging will be carried out by experts, from the photographs, after which readers will be given an opportunity of testing their own selections against those of the judges, with a prize of \$100 for the reader whose choice most nearly agrees with that of the judges.

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"TSINAN"	Swatow	3 p.m. 6th Jan.
"FUKIEN"	Yokohama, Nagoya & Kobe	4 p.m. 9th Jan.
"HANYANG"	Swatow & Singapore	10 a.m. 9th Jan.
"HEINRICH JESSEN"	Swatow Amoy & Fuzhou	10th Jan.
"KWEIYANG"	Swatow & Amoy	10th Jan.
"SHENGKING"	Shanghai	4 p.m. 11th Jan.
"TSINAN"	Swatow	3 p.m. 11th Jan.
"FOOCHOW"	Singapore, Macassar, Sourabaya & Batavia	4 p.m. 13th Jan.

ARRIVALS FROM		
"FUKIEN"	Java, Singapore & Bangkok	6th Jan.
"HEINRICH JESSEN"	Swatow & Keelung	8th or 9th Jan.
"SHENGKING"	Swatow	9th Jan.
"FOOCHOW"	Kobe, Shanghai & Keelung	9th or 10th Jan.
"KWEIYANG"	Singapore & Hothow	9th Jan.
"SINKIANG"	Borneo, Fuzhou & Amoy	11th Jan.

RIVER SERVICE		
"KATSHAN"	Arrives from Canton	11.30 a.m. 5th Jan.
"WUSUEH"	Sails for Canton	4 p.m. 8th Jan.

Agents: BLUE FUNNEL LINE		
U.K. SERVICE		
Arrivals from		
"ANCHISES"	U.K. via Straits	12th Jan.
"TANTALUS"	U.K. via Straits	21st Jan.
"CYCLOPS"	U.K. via Straits	29th Jan.
"MEDON"	U.K. via Straits & Manila	4th Feb.

Sailings to		
"AGAPENOR"	Liverpool & Glasgow via Port Said	9th Jan.
"AENEAS"	Genoa, Marseilles & Liverpool via Port Said & Aden	24th Jan.

NEW YORK SERVICE		
Arrivals from		
"RHEXENOR"	U.S.A. via Manila & Shanghai	6th Jan.
"MEMNON"	U.S.A. via Manila	20th Jan.

Agents: Australian-Oriental Line, Ltd.		
Sailings to		
"SOOCHOW"	Sydney, Melbourne & Brisbane	noon 6th Jan.
"SHANSI"	Sydney, Melbourne & Brisbane	2nd week Feb.

Arrivals from		
"PRODUCE"	Sydney, Brisbane & Manila	9th Jan.
"CHANGTE"	Australia	end Jan.
"SHANSI"	Australia	1st week Feb.

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Ship	Arrivals	Departures
"TJISADANE"	In port	to Javaports & Macassar, 6th January p.m.
"TASMAN"	from Macassar & Javaports, 8th January.	to Javaports & Macassar, 21st January.
"TJISADAK"	In port	to Javaports & Macassar, 23rd February.
"TJITALENGKA"	from Macassar & Javaports, 22nd Jan.	to Javaports & Macassar, 3rd March.

ASIA-AFRICA-SOUTH AMERICA SERVICE

Ship	Arrivals	Departures
"TEGELOENG"	In port	to Shanghai 14th January & South Africa & South America, 25th January.
"RUYS"	from South America & South Africa, 17th January.	to South Africa & South America, 25th February.
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	from South America & South Africa, 9th March.	to South Africa & South America, 18th April.
"BOISSEvain"	from South American & South Africa, 29th March.	to South Africa & South America, 18th April.

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SUMATRA-MALAYA-CHINA SERVICE

Ship	Arrivals	Departures
"VAN RIEMSDIJK"	from Amoy & Swatow, 8th Jan.	to Straits & B. Dell, 11th January.
"TASMAN"	from Singapore, 8th Jan.	to Swatow & Amoy, 9th Jan.

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Ship	Arrivals	Departures
"MOLENKERK"	from Japan & Shanghai, 10th Jan.	to Europe via Manila & Straits, 11th Jan.
"MEERKERK"	from Europe, 6th Jan.	to S'hai, Japan via Keelung, 8th Jan.
"RIJNKERK"	from Europe, End January.	to Europe via Manila & Straits, Mid February.

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The retail trade decline indicates price cuts would be a healthy adjustment but manufacturers do not easily cut prices.

Moderate cuts frequently revive sales but, with high break-even points, quite moderate declines in output or prices can seriously affect profits.

London Stock Exchange

London, January 3.
The present account of the London Stock Exchange will end tomorrow and, until the new period of trading begins on Wednesday, trading will be small.

The markets today showed few price changes although the tendency generally was slightly easier in shares. Fractional losses were seen in Government stocks with longer dated issues particularly affected.

An early brightener in oils was the result of continued small demand for leaders but the initial gains were not always fully held. Profit-taking in Venezuelan Oil Concessions resulted in a small net loss on the day of this issue.

There were many declines of a few pence in industrial shares. Once again, however, the ground and tobacco were out of favour. Textiles, however, encountered some support.

In the foreign bond section, Chinese stocks improved and there was sharp appreciation in Haarbuckens, on hopes of the resumption of debt service.

The downward drift of South African minibus continues. Losses today were small in a market devoid of London and Cape interest.

SECURITIES:
British Consols, 2½%, 79-16/10
Conversion Loan, 3½%, 1941, 106-7/16
Funding Loan, 4½, 1960, 90, 114-7/16
War Loan, 3½, 1952, 103-5/16
Victory Bonds, 4½, 105-12/16
11-11/12

INDUSTRIALS:
British American Tobacco (of G.I. & Ireland) 5½
Imperial Chemical Indust., 49/1
Imperial Tobacco Company of G.I. & Ireland 5½

TEA SHARES:
Assam Consolidated Tea 21½
Assam Planting Tea 15½
Assam Tea Company 22½
Dooars Tea Co. 20½
Emp. of India & Ceylon Tea Co. 16½
Imperial Tea Company 27½

MINES SHARES:
Burmah Corp. 5/2
Crown Mines 3/2-1/2
Rand Mines 4-15/16
Spring Mines 7/3
Buh Nigela 3-11/16
Deyev Tea Co. 1/2
Union Corporation 208/2

OIL SHARES:
Royal Dutch Co. 24
Shell Transport & Trading Co. 5-13/16

SHIPPING:
P. & O. Steam Nav. Co., ord. 81/10½

GILT-EDGED:
Funding Loan, 3½, 104-7/16
National War Bonds, 2½, 100-1/2
1942/44 100-1/2
1945/46 102-5/16
1951/55 102-5/16
Savings Bonds, 3½, 102-5/16
1955/55 104-7/16
1960/70 102-5/16
1965/75 102-5/16
Exchequer Bonds, 4½, 100-11/32
Redemption Bonds, 3½, 100-10/32

FOREIGN BONDS:
German Loan (Burmah) 7½
Japanese 5½, 100/47 20
Japanese 6½, 102/49 28½
Japanese South Manchurian Ry. 5½, 102 16

BANKS:
Chartered Bank of I.A. & Co. 11½
I.L.K. & Shanghai Bk. Corp. 102½
Mercantile Bank of India "A" 21½

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS:
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5½
Lunghua-Railway Ry. 5½
1912 0
Recess. Loan, 5½, London 12
Cray Loan, 5½, 1912 18
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Hong Kong Stock Exchange

The market turned a shade easier yesterday. Upon sellers appearing in some force, buyers lowered their offers, and in consequence quotations have slightly lost ground.

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4½ Loan 101½
4½ Loan (1934 & 1940) 100½
4½ Loan (1948) 102½

H.K. & S. Bank 182½, 184½, 182½/400
(Loan, Res.) 210½, 210½/500
210½/500

Chartered Bank 211½
Merrill Bank A. & B. 221½
Bank of East Asia 143½

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Canton Ins. 35½
Union Ins. 32½
China Underwriters 500½
H.K. Fire Ins. 260½

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Douglas 23½
H.K. & S. Bank 17½
Indo China (Ref.) 95½
(Def.) 240½
Raffles (Ref.) 78½
Union Waterboat 21½

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, Etc.:
H.K. & S. Wharves (Old) 180½
(New) 180½
North Point Wharves 7½
H.K. Dock 20½, 20½
China Provident 19½
Shanghai Dockyards 11½

LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS:
H. & S. Hotels 15½, 15½/400
H.K. Lands 57½, 57½
Shanghai Land 3½, 3½, 3½/500
Hampshire (Old) 15½
(New) 15½

H.K. Realities 17½
China Estates 17½
PUBLIC UTILITIES:
H.K. Tramways 20½, 20½/500
Peak Tram (Old) 21½
(New) 21½

Star Ferry 15½, 15½, 15½
Q. Lights (Old) 14½, 14½, 14½/500
(Rights) 7½, 7½
H.K. Electric 24½, 24½, 24½/500
H.K. Electric 24½, 24½, 24½/500

SHANGHAI LIGHTS 15½
Telephone 30½, 30½
Shanghai Gas 5½
INDUSTRIALS:
Cold Harz (Ord.) 30½
Canton Ice 7½
Cement 4½, 4½, 4½/500
H.K. Paper 10½, 10½

STOBS & Co.:
Dry Farm (Old) 45½, 45½
(New) 45½, 45½
Watsons (Old) 62½
(New) 62½

L. Crawford (Old) 20½
(New) 20½
Shenex 20½
China Emporium 9½
Sun Co. Ltd. 40½
Kwang Sang Hong 100½
Wing On (H.K.) 10½
Wm. Powell, Ltd. 11½

MISCELLANEOUS:
China Entertainment 35½
H.K. Constructions (Old) 5½, 5½
(New) 5½
Vibron (Old) 2½
(New) 2½

Marman Investments 7½
Marman (H.K.) 100½
Shanghai Loan 3½
COTTONS:
Buss 10½, 10½
Asia New 13½
Yangtze 3½
Wheeler 3½

RUBBER, ETC., COMPANIES:
Anglo-Siam 6½
Cheng Rubbers 70½
Consolidated Rubbers 2½
Domination Rubbers 2½
Kata Rubber 2½
Padang Rubbers 10½
Rubber Trusts 3½
Siam Rubber 110½
Shanghai Rubber 2½
Tamp. Rubber 30½
Telong Rubbers 60½
Zion Rubber 60½

Trade Union Film Ready For Screening

A new trade union film, "Sorting It Out", has been received by the Hong Kong Labour Office. It is available for screening to any member of the trade unions in the Colony.

There is no Cantonese commentary of the film but a description and explanation of the film can be given at the showing, and questions will be invited.

Mr. Baker of the Labour Office is prepared to lecture or talk on any aspect of the Trade Union Movement, and the services of a competent translator will be available. It was officially announced yesterday.

The exhibition of photographs and charts held a few weeks ago in the Public Relations Office is available for showing to any of the unions either in whole or in part. It was added.

Any of the unions desirous of participating in the above, may get in touch with Mr. Baker, the Labour Officer.

Japan's Hope In Exports

Tokyo, January 4.
Japan hopes to be able to export US\$2,000,000,000 worth of goods annually by 1953.

This new target is an increase of more than US\$500,000,000 over the previous goal, and has been set as a result of Allied orders to get things humming.

The new economic stabilization programme, which will be carried out over a five-year period, will place the emphasis on exports rather than recovery of domestic industry. This is because of Japan's urgent need for foreign credits, especially U.S. dollars.

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York, 11.45 a.m.

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Shipping Departures

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FLYING DRAGON (U.S.) for San

Francisco, 11.45 a.m.

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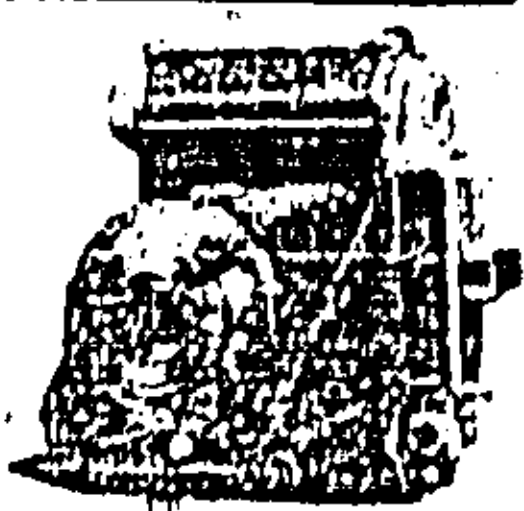
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Yacht Club Members Take Rest

(By "Rubbingstone")
Most members of the Yacht Club took a rest from serious racing over the week-end as the new series and championship, which are being decided by the Sailing Committee this week, will not commence until January 8.

With the new Redwing class approaching their first race, the members may expect to lose some of their regular helmsmen, but the Committee hope that plenty of new blood will promote the lively racing which has been the feature of the club's racing since its inception.

In the autumn double series, 17 boatsmen completed the five races necessary for qualification out of 37 who sailed in two or more races. In the Star series, 17 boatsmen completed the six races necessary for qualification out of 37 who sailed in two or more races.

KOREAN TEAM GIVEN DINNER

Members of the Korean football team were guests of honour at a dinner given by the Hong Kong Football Association at the Hong Kong Hotel last night.

The Hon. Mr. Arthur Morse, C.B.E., President of the Hong Kong Football Association, congratulated the Korean players on their fine display and expressed the hope that the present visit would lead to many more visits in the future.

Mr. Paul J. C. Hyen, manager of the Korean, suitably replied.

Preconceived ideas of critics that the Non-Chinese Soccer XI would lose to the Korean XI by a large margin were rudely shaken yesterday when the local team beat the visitors by three goals to two at Caroline Hill.

The Non-Chinese were superior to the Koreans in every department of the game and fully deserved their win.

Apart from the fact that the game was very capably handled by Mr. J. Ward, it must be said that the Non-Chinese players showed spectators to an object lesson in how football should be played.

The Non-Chinese players took to the field with a smile and at no time did they seek to intimidate their opponents by tactics which have made some of our nightmarish Hong Kong.

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Victorious Soccer XI

S. Africa Score 307 For 5 In Third Test

Capetown, January 4.

A lunch today in the third Test match between South Africa and England, South Africa was 307 for five wickets in reply to England's first innings total of 308.

After South Africa's third wicket pair had put on 190 there was a sudden collapse against Denis Compton's leg-break bowling and at lunch, South Africa was one run behind England's first innings total.

Both Bruce Mitchell and Dudley Nourse reached their centuries Nourse being first ahead of his slow-moving partner, but at 112 he returned a catch to Compton.

Then Compton had Wade caught for a duck by Watkins before clear bowling Mitchell, the three wickets falling while five runs were being added to the score.

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The Non-Chinese Soccer XI which defeated the Korean team by three goals to two at Caroline Hill yesterday. ("China Mail" Photo).

Low Scores Mark Holiday Cricket

(By "MID ON")

Due perhaps to the fact that some batsmen were not quite able to see the ball after the festivities, scores were rather on the low side during the holidays.

The surprising part of it all was that the bowlers were able to bowl straight enough, and keep decent lengths, to get in amongst the wickets.

As one batsman told me after having scored the unenviable blob in two games running, he used the middle but all right, but the trouble was that he had swiped at the outside ball on each occasion.

New Year's Day saw the defeat of Hong Kong Cricket Club for the second time in the Triangular Tournament, this time bowing to the combined Navy-Air Force team. True, the Club were without the services of Stokes and Alee Pearce, but I never expected them to crumble as they did to the bowlers.

The match was played at Chater Road and Club took first lease of the wicket to be given a fairly good start by Little (22), Kilbee (10) and N. R. Oliver (40), all of whom played sound cricket.

Oliver, particularly, batted really well and with the later batsmen were all at sea against White and Gambrell, he batted stout-heartedly. Four ducks in a row, however, soon saw the end of the Club innings.

Almost Perfect Length White bowled really well, swinging considerably and keeping an almost perfect length throughout his 12 overs and taking five wickets for 19 runs.

When Marshall (34) and White (22) gave the combined Services side a good start, there never was any doubt about the result, it being a question of how many wickets the Club would lose by. Belrive played forceful cricket to score 28 not out and with 13 coming from extras, the innings closed at 127 for 4.

None of the Club bowlers really got going with the exception of those who took all the wickets that fell for 37 runs. He might have returned a better analysis had he met with a shade more luck.

And so it is now left for the Army to fight it out with Navy-Air Force for honours in the season's Triangular Tournament, each of them having already beaten the Club.

Also on New Year's Day was played the annual match between Past and Present (University), the game this year being decided on the Craigieover ground.

This turned out to be a really exciting game with the issue in doubt until their last man was bowled when the Past needed but three runs for victory.

Present took first innings and were masters of the situation to the extent of being able to declare at 107 for 5, the chief contributors being T. Lo (52), J. M. Gosano (47) and L. T. Hilde, the Vice-Chancellor scoring 33.

Faced with this formidable score, the Past were by no means discouraged and Dr. Albert Rodd gave a glimpse of the form he showed so consistently in his underground days by scoring an excellent 46, in the course of which he showed the Present pupils a thing or two in the art of cutting and hooking.

K. Y. Tam made 41 and Francis Zimmerman 36, but although Leo Choo, making one of his all too rare appearances on the field kept up his end stoutly, Fenton was tempted to hit Ride out of the ground, only to see his wicket spread-eagled when he needed three to win.

On the Indian RC ground, the IRC 2nd XI were shown in no uncertain manner that they were the 2nd XI in every sense of the word when the 1st XI accepted their challenge to a match—with, I believe, the cost of the afternoon's tea and refreshments at stake.

The friendly match at Soekunpo on Sunday between HQ Land Forces and Club de Recreo resulted in a complete rout of the Recreos.

The match was a great triumph for Rogers, who scored 27, the highest for HQ Land Forces, and then followed this up by taking six wickets for 11 runs to give his side an 80-run victory over Recreo.

HQ Land Forces battled first and landed 98 with Rogers as top-scorer, E.A.R. Alves being the next successful Recreo bowler with 4 for 28.

When Recreo went in it was a sorry procession and the side were all out for 18 runs. Rogers walked off with bowling honours, while Alves had 3 for 7. Stephenson 1 for 0.

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Hockey Fixtures

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

Club de Recreo v Civil Service; King's Park, 10 a.m.; Umpires: E.A.R. Miller and P.F. Xavier.

RAF v Dutch; Kai Tak, 10.30 a.m.; Umpires: S.B.P.O. Yeomans and D.T. Smith.

Cable & Wireless v Dockyard; King's Park (YMCA), 10 a.m.; Umpires: J.S. Grewal and S.B.C.P.O. Shaw.

Army v University; Soekunpo, 10 a.m.; Umpires: Makhan Singh and G.T. Palmer.

Khalsa v Navy; King's Park (RNRC), 10.30 a.m.; Umpires: Capt. H.J. Chisnall and Capt. L.J.H. Payne.

HK Police v YMCA; King's Park (RNRC), 2, 10 a.m.; Umpires: C.J. Merritt and U.S. Dillon.

All umpires are requested to confirm by phone (30361 Ex. 117) before 5 p.m. on Friday. Secretaries are requested to ensure prompt attendance of their teams. A maximum of ten minutes delay will be allowed. Will umpires please notify results of matches by phone as soon as possible after the match.

LEAGUE TABLE

Club	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Club de Recreo	12	10	1	1	44	4	21
Navy	11	7	2	2	28	12	16
Army	11	7	3	1	44	17	17
Khalsa	11	7	3	1	24	11	16
HK Police	11	6	4	1	16	18	13
University	12	6	3	3	32	21	13
Cable & Wireless	11	6	2	3	28	20	9
RAF	12	4	1	7	23	27	9
Dutch	12	4	1	7	16	25	9
Galle & Wireless	12	3	0	9	14	46	6
YMCA	8	1	0	7	4	38	2
Dockyard RC	11	0	0	11	45	2	0

At Caroline Hill yesterday, the Ta Kung Pao team beat the Hong Kong Champions (South China Athletic Association) 37 to 23 in a basketball match that had been postponed from Monday.

Dundee Surprise Glasgow Rangers

London, January 3.

Dundee scored a double victory over Rangers at Dons Park, Dundee, today, winning by three goals to one before a capacity crowd of 30,000.

They avenged their League Cup semi-final defeat at Hampden Park and also displaced Rangers from the leadership of the Scottish "A" Division.

Three teams now share the League leadership with 23 points Dundee, St. Mirren and Hibernian.

There were unprecedented scenes at Dundee and long before the start the gates had to be closed. Thousands were turned away.

Celtic came back to form against Hearts, who were still at stake.

MISS HART WINS AUSSIE TITLE

Adelaide, January 3.

Miss Doris Hart of Miami, Florida, third ranking United States woman tennis player today won the women's singles title at the South Australian championships by beating the Aussie champion, Miss Nancy Bolton, 6-4, 6-5.

Miss Hart also shared the mixed doubles championship, teaming with Sedgman of Australia to defeat Geoff Brown and Miss Joyce Fitch, both of Australia, 6-3, 9-11, 6-2—United Press.

Korean Recovery

The Koreans staged a recovery and their forwards were seen in a series of raids on the Non-Chinese goal, but once again the bustling tactics of the Non-Chinese defenders prevented them from scoring.

A breakthrough by the Non-Chinese forwards resulted in Mullen scoring with a fast rising shot from about 30 yards out—a shot which was totally unexpected and which had the Korean goalie beaten all the way.

About 12 minutes from time, the Koreans managed to reduce the lead of their opponents when Cordell failed to hold a shot and Chung Nam-sik dashed up to put the ball into the net.

This goal served to liven up the game considerably as the Koreans trying hard for the equaliser and the Non-Chinese endeavouring to make the game safe.

The final whistle came, however, with the score remaining at 3-2 in favour of the Non-Chinese.

Non-Chinese: Cordell (Army), Craighood (Army), Tozer (Navy), Weatherall (Army), Leonard (St. Joseph's), Santos (St. Joseph's), Xavier (St. Joseph's), Marsden (Army), Mullen (Club), Kiernan (Club) and Buck (Navy).

Koreans: Hong Duk-yung, Pak Kyoo-chung, Lee Sea-dong, Choi Seung-gon, Min Byung-dol, Lee Sang-wi, Chung Nam-sik, Kim Chi-sang, Chang Kyung-whan, Chung Kook-chin and Whang Chung-ha.

Combined XI

The following have been selected to represent a Combined Hong Kong XI to play the Korean Soccer XI at Caroline Hill on Sunday, January 9:

Yu Yiu-tak (SCAA "A"), Hau Yung-sang (SCAA "A"), Tso Kam-hung (SCAA "A"), Soong Ling-sing (SCAA "A"), Leonard (St. Joseph's), Lau Chung-sang (SCAA "A"), Fung King-cheung (SCAA "A"), Chang Kam-ho (SCAA "A"), Tang Yee-sik (KMB), Kiernan (Club), Captain, Li Tai-fai (KMB).

Reserves: Tang Sum (KMB), Chu Wing-koung (SCAA "A"), Mullen (Club), Li Chun-fat (KMB).

Team Manager: Mr. K. K. Ip.



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Golf Club Draws Announced

The following is the draw for the First and Second Rounds of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Mixed Foursummers.

The First and Second Rounds will be played on January 23 on the New Course.

The Third Round is to be played on February 6. The first named pair are responsible for arranging matches.